



### Almeta Crawford High School National Honor Society Selection Procedure

The **National Honor Society** chapter of **Almeta Crawford High School** is a duly chartered and affiliated chapter of the National Honor Society.

Membership is open to those students who meet the required standards in four areas of evaluation: scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Students are selected for membership by majority vote of a 5-member Faculty Council, appointed annually by the principal, which bestows this honor upon qualified students on behalf of the faculty of our school each year. The chapter advisor, (Dr. Vivian Cook) is also appointed by the principal and facilitates all selection procedures and chapter activities during the year.

Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors are eligible for membership. For the scholarship criterion, a student must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale (85% or higher) *for the previous semester cumulative grade*. Those students who meet this criterion are invited to complete a **Candidate Form** that provides the Faculty Council with information regarding the candidate's leadership and service. A history of leadership experience and participation in school or community service is also required.

To evaluate a candidate's character, the Faculty Council obtains additional professional input. **First**, official school disciplinary records are reviewed. **Second**, members of the faculty (four core subject teachers) are requested to provide their professional reflections on a candidate's service activities, character, citizenship, and leadership. These forms and the Candidate Forms are carefully reviewed by the Faculty Council to determine whether each candidate meets the criteria for membership. The faculty council shall review the candidate information forms, faculty input, and other relevant information to determine those who fully meet the selection criteria for membership. The selection criteria will consist of 1) candidate form, 2) letters of recommendation from the student's **current three core teachers and one current elective teacher (no substitute teachers)**, and 3) essay explaining why the student would like to be a member in the ACHS NHS.

A majority vote of the Council is necessary for selection. Following a review of the results of the Faculty Council voting by the principal, candidates are notified regarding selection or non-selection according to a predetermined schedule.

Once the notification process is completed, a formal Induction Ceremony is held at the school to recognize all the newly selected members. Once inducted, new members are required to maintain the same level of performance (or better) in all criteria that led to their selection. This obligation includes regular attendance at monthly chapter meetings held during the school year, and participation in chapter sponsored service projects(s) and fundraisers. Students or parents who have questions regarding the selection process or membership obligations can contact the **chapter advisor; Dr. Vivian Cook via email at Vivian.cook1@fortbendisd.gov**.