



## **CHARACTER • SCHOLARSHIP • LEADERSHIP • SERVICE**

The **National Honor Society** is a national student recognition program.

Application for membership is open to juniors and seniors who have been enrolled as full time students at Old Orchard Beach High School for at least one semester. To be accepted, students must demonstrate that they are outstanding in all four pillars of the National Honor Society: Scholarship, Character, Leadership, and Service.

### **Scholarship**

Scholarship is a commitment to learning. Members of the National Honor Society must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 93 percent or higher.

### **Character**

Members of the National Honor Society uphold the principles of morality and ethics. They are cooperative, they demonstrate high standards of honesty and reliability. They show courtesy, concern, and respect for others. They are trustworthy, punctual, fair, and caring. They strive to make the right choices.

### **Leadership**

Members of the National Honor Society are leaders. They are resourceful. They solve problems and promote school activities. They contribute ideas, they are dependable, and they exemplify positive attitudes about life. In taking initiative both in and outside of the classroom, a leader strives to train and help others reach their common goals of success. A leader will go forward when others hesitate.

### **Service**

Members of the National Honor Society voluntarily contribute to their school and community, without monetary compensation and with a positive, courteous, and enthusiastic spirit. NHS Members are willing to work for the benefit of those in need, and they are committed to volunteering their time.

**The Process:** In September, eligible juniors and seniors with a cumulative grade point average of 93% or higher will receive an invitation to apply. In October, applications are evaluated by a Faculty Council of five teachers based on scholarship, service, leadership, and character, and some students are invited to become members. Accepted students are inducted into the National Honor Society at an Induction Ceremony in front of invited family and friends in mid-November. The Old Orchard Beach Chapter of the National Honor Society organizes one community service event in the spring of each year and all members are required to participate. Members must maintain good academic standing, continue to exhibit good character, leadership, and service in their daily lives.