

# Selection Process Description

## Adelia Wilcox Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society

The National Junior Honor Society chapter of East Chambers Junior High is a duly chartered and affiliated chapter of this prestigious national organization. Membership is open to those students who meet the required standards in five areas of evaluation: scholarship, leadership, service, citizenship, and character. Standards for selection are established by the national office of NJHS and have been revised to meet our local chapter needs. Students are selected to be members by a 5-member Faculty Council, appointed by the principal, whom bestows this honor upon qualified students on behalf of the faculty each May.

Students in grade 7 are eligible for membership. For the scholarship criterion, a student must have a cumulative average greater than a 92. Those students who meet this criterion are invited to complete a Student Activity Information Form that provides the Faculty Council with information regarding the candidate's leadership and service. A history of leadership experiences and participation in school or community service is also required.

To evaluate a candidate's character, the Faculty Council uses two forms of input. First, school disciplinary records are reviewed. Second, members of the faculty are solicited for input regarding their professional reflections on a candidate's service activities, character, citizenship, and leadership. These forms and the Student Activity Information Forms are carefully reviewed by the Faculty Council to determine membership. A majority vote of the Council is necessary for selection. Candidates are notified regarding selection or nonselection according to a predetermined schedule.

Following notification, 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 five criteria that led to their selection. This obligation includes regular attendance at chapter meetings held during the school year and participation in the chapter service projects. Students or parents who have questions regarding the selection process or membership obligations can contact Cheryl Williams ([williamsc@eastchambers.net](mailto:williamsc@eastchambers.net)) or Whitney DeYoung ([deyoung@eastchambers.net](mailto:deyoung@eastchambers.net)).