NJHS
Saint Leo the Great School
Selection Procedure Description

The National Junior Honor Society chapter of Saint Leo the Great School 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, service, leadership, character, and citizenship. Students are selected for membership by the majority vote of a five-member principal-appointed faculty council, which bestows this honor upon qualified students on behalf of the faculty of our school each year.

Students in grades 6-8 are eligible for membership. For the scholarship and service criteria, by the end of the second trimester a student must have:

- an average of 93 or above in all major subjects
- accelerated math average of 90 or above
- no less than an “M” in all co-curricular subjects
- a minimum of 10 community service hours for the grade year the student is in

Each Spring those students who meet this criterion are invited to complete a Candidate Information Form that provides the faculty council with information regarding the candidate’s leadership and service.

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, and leadership.

Any solicited faculty input and all Candidate 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 criteria that led to their selection, or they may end up on probation.

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