



Southside Elementary National Elementary Honor Society Selection Procedures

The National Elementary Honor Society (NEHS) chapter of Southside Elementary is a duly chartered and affiliated chapter of this prestigious national organization. Membership is open to those students who meet the required standards in two areas of initial evaluation: scholarship (academic achievement) and responsibility.

Students are selected to be members of NEHS by a faculty council, appointed by the principal, and supervised by an additional member of the faculty serving as the chapter adviser. This group awards the honor of membership to qualified students on behalf of the faculty of the school during each school year. Our NEHS chapter will conduct its selection procedures during the third quarter.

Students in the fourth and fifth grades are eligible for membership. For the scholarship criterion, a student must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale. Those students who meet this criterion are invited to complete a candidate's form that provides the faculty council with evidence of the candidate's responsibility at home, at school, and in the community.

In addition, to evaluate a candidate's level of responsibility, the faculty council uses two types of information: school administrative records and faculty input regarding their professional reflections on a candidate's personal responsibility qualities. These forms and the candidate's 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.

Following notification, a formal induction ceremony is held at the school to recognize all newly selected members. Once inducted, new members are required to maintain the same level of performance (or better) in all of the criteria that led to their selection. This obligation includes regular attendance at chapter meetings held during the school year, and participation in other chapter service projects and activities.