



**COLORADO**  
**Early Colleges**  
Aurora

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### **NHS Selection Procedure Description**

The National Honor Society chapter of Colorado Early Colleges Aurora is a duly chartered and affiliated chapter of this prestigious national organization. Membership is open to those students who meet the required standards in four areas of evaluation: scholarship, service, leadership, and character. Students are selected for membership by 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 spring.

Students in grades 10, 11, and 12 are eligible for membership. For the scholarship criterion, a student must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale. 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. In addition to the Candidate Information Form, students must also submit a personal essay and a recommendation letter from a relevant adult.

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 non-selection 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 four criteria that led to their selection.

Chapter obligations include each member's regular attendance at monthly meetings, a minimum of 20 service hours completed each school year, and upholding the qualities and standards of membership according to the chapter's bylaws. Any member who falls below the standards of scholarship, service, leadership, or character may be considered for discipline or dismissal from the Colorado Early Colleges of Aurora chapter of the National Honor Society.