

National Honor Society Appeal Process

The appeal process is designed to provide students with a fair and transparent opportunity to contest membership decisions based on analytical errors that deny the National Honor Society (NHS) admission.

1. Submission of Appeal

- Only students directly affected by a membership decision may file an appeal.
- Students must submit the appeal in writing to the NHS advisor within 10 days of receiving notification of the decision.

2. Review Committee

- The NHS advisor will convene a Review Committee appointed by the Superintendent consisting of three members of administration and/or the school board. Review Committee members must not have been directly involved in the original decision under appeal.

4. Appeal Review Process

- The appellant must meet with the Review Committee to:
 - 1) Explain each pillar.
 - 2) Share either a portfolio, visual presentation, or provide an oral presentation outlining how they exemplify the 4 NHS pillars: Service, Scholarship, Leadership and Character.
- Confidentiality: All discussions and materials related to the appeal process will be kept confidential to the extent possible.
- Parent(s) may attend but not participate in the appeal review.

5. Review Timeline

- The Review Committee will reach a decision within 14 days of receiving the appeal.
- The NHS advisor will notify the appellant in writing of the decision reached by the Review Committee.

6. Appeal Outcomes

- The Review Committee may:
 - Uphold the original decision.
 - Reverse the decision and grant membership.
 - The decision reached by the Review Committee is final and binding.

7. Documentation and Record-Keeping

- The NHS advisor will maintain accurate records of all appeals filed, proceedings, and decisions rendered.

This framework provides a structured approach to creating an NHS appeal process that upholds principles of fairness, transparency, and accountability.