

# The Michael J. Petrides High School

## National Honor Society

The Michael J. Petrides National Honor Society is a great honor bestowed upon high school students. Selection for membership is conducted by a Faculty Council and is based on outstanding scholarship, leadership, service, character, and citizenship. Once selected, members have the responsibility to continue to demonstrate these qualities.

To be eligible for membership each candidate must complete an NHS application and fulfill the following requirements:

- The candidate must be a member of the Class of 2025, 2026, or 2027 (current-year Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors).
- The candidate must have and maintain a *cumulative scholastic average/GPA* of at least **90%**.
- The candidate must demonstrate and maintain **service**, defined as “the voluntary contributions made by a student to the school or community, done without compensation and with a positive courteous, and enthusiastic spirit.” The candidate must complete 30 hours of community service hours of supervised Petrides tutoring services. The other 15 hours of community service must be designated to non-affiliated school activities and clubs. Service is to be completed before November 27, 2024.
- The candidate must demonstrate and maintain **leadership** qualities, one who “demonstrates initiative in promoting school activities, inspires positive behavior in others, and is willing to uphold scholarship and maintain a loyal school attitude.”
- The candidate must hold and maintain good **character**, one who “upholds principles of morality and ethics, is cooperative, demonstrates high standards of honesty and reliability, shows courtesy, concern, and respect for others, and generally maintains a good and clean lifestyle.”
- The candidate must demonstrate and maintain good **citizenship**, one who “understands the importance of civic involvement, has high regard for freedom, justice, and democracy, and demonstrates mature participation and responsibility through involvement with such activities as scouting, community organizations, and school clubs.”
- The candidate must write a **350-word essay** illustrating how they have demonstrated the qualities of leadership and character and why they want to obtain membership in the society.
- The candidate must obtain the **signatures of two current high school teachers** who can testify to their excellent character.
- If selected for the National Honor Society, *inductees must attend all meetings.*
- **The candidate’s official high school transcript will be obtained by NHS from the school in order to validate eligibility.**

### **Submission of Application:**

**Where:** The application is available on the Petrides website and on the NHS Classroom. Our classroom name is “NHS New Applicants”. This classroom is located on the NYC account. Here is the link: <https://classroom.google.com/c/NzEyMDIyNDMxNjEx?cjc=2btm3tn> The class code is

**2btm3tn**

**When:** Completed applications and forms are due on or before **November 27, 2024**. *Late applications will not be considered.*

### **How:**

**Submission:** Submit all required documents on Google Classroom “NHS New Applicants”. If you have any questions, please email Ms. Salem the NHS Faculty Advisor at [esalem@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:esalem@schools.nyc.gov) OR see Ms. Salem in person in room B308.