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Southeastern Preparatory Academy (SEPA) National Honor Society (NHS) Selection Criteria and Guidelines for Student-Athletes

Overview

The National Honor Society (NHS) recognizes students who exemplify excellence in scholarship, leadership, character, service, and citizenship. At SEPA, we also emphasize **the role of student-athletes** as role models on and off the field. These guidelines outline the criteria and expectations for SEPA student-athletes wishing to be considered for the NHS.

1. Scholarship

- **Academic Excellence:**
 - **Minimum GPA of 3.5** (cumulative).
 - No failing grades or incomplete assignments in any class.
 - Consistent academic performance, including in core subjects and electives.
 - Student-athletes must maintain academic eligibility as required by SEPA's sports and extracurricular guidelines.

2. Leadership

- Demonstrates **positive leadership** both in the classroom and on athletic teams.
- Takes initiative in leading peers and supporting teammates.
- Upholds and models good sportsmanship.
- Acts as a role model for other students in conduct, discipline, and commitment.
- Willingness to mentor younger athletes and classmates.

3. Character

- Displays high standards of **honesty, respect, and integrity**.
- Adheres to SEPA's code of conduct and athletic behavior policies.
- No history of major disciplinary actions (e.g., suspensions, serious infractions).
- Consistently demonstrates responsibility and ethical behavior on and off campus.

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4. Service

- Participates in **school and community service projects**.
- **Minimum of 10 community service hours** documented per semester.
- Actively engaged in giving back through team initiatives, tutoring, or peer support programs.
- Willingness to participate in NHS-led service opportunities.

5. Citizenship

- Follows all **school rules, attendance, and uniform policies**.
- Shows respect for teachers, staff, and peers.
- Acts as an ambassador for SEPA during school events, competitions, and in the community.
- Participates in school activities beyond athletics, when possible, to show well-rounded citizenship.

Selection Process

1. **Nomination** based on GPA and teacher recommendations.
2. **Review** of academic standing, character references, and discipline records.
3. **Final Selection** by the NHS committee, with approval from administration.

Expectations for Selected Members

- Continued **academic eligibility and strong behavior record**.
- **Active participation** in NHS meetings, service projects, and events.
- Maintain leadership roles and responsibilities as student-athletes.
- Serve as **positive representatives of SEPA and NHS** in all settings.
- Complete additional service requirements during the NHS membership period.

Note

Failure to maintain any of the above criteria may result in **probation or removal** from NHS. For any questions about NJHS criteria for student-athletes, please contact **Mrs. Booker**, the NHS advisor.