

## **The Schroon Lake Central School Chapter of the National Honor Society**



### **Annual Spring Membership Publication**

SLCS students are asking, *“How can I be a part of the National Honor Society?”*

The process begins with the close of 2nd quarter grades. Students will receive a letter indicating they have met an initial academic eligibility. Their cumulative grade point average must be greater than or equal to 90% for Sophomores, 87.5% for Juniors, and 87.5% for Seniors. These potential candidates will be given a Student Activity Information Form to fill out identifying their involvement in school activities, sports, volunteering, and work related experiences. This information will be confidentially shared with our teachers who will evaluate the candidates, paying special attention to their character, leadership skills, and service as seen in the school and our community. Per NHS by-laws, a specially appointed Faculty Council will review the information and make final recommendations for student membership. These students will be invited to join NHS, and will be inducted in a formal ceremony, in the Auditorium, in April.

A potential candidate for the National Honor Society will demonstrate many, if not all, of the following personal characteristics while in class, participating in sports, clubs or other extracurricular activities and while involved in school related events held away from Schroon Lake Central School.

**CHARACTER** - A potential candidate will have:

- shown they are *responsible* by: working to achieve group goals; carry out the duties of elected office; following through on his/her student academic obligations.
- demonstrated a *caring* attitude by: treating people with respect; being helpful and kind to others.
- exhibited a *cooperative* spirit by: promoting a positive attitude; working productively with others.
- demonstrated that they are *trustworthy* by: being honest and reliable.
- displayed a *respectful* posture towards others by: accepting people's differences; showing courtesy towards others; honoring positions of authority.
- manifested *perseverance* by: sustaining attention and effort to studies and commitments; demonstrating the power to concentrate.

**LEADERSHIP** - A potential candidate will have:

- demonstrated *initiative* by: recognizing and solving problems; cooperating with and aiding others to achieve group goals; thinking independently; confidently supporting their own decisions; going forward when others hesitate.
- exhibited a *responsible* attitude by: knowing what is expected and following through; constructively participating in the achievement of group goals.
- displayed a willingness to *sacrifice* by yielding his /her personal interests for the interest of the group.
- demonstrated *wisdom* by: learning from experience; being open to the advice of others; thinking through decisions.

**SERVICE** - A potential candidate will have:

- exhibited an awareness of the needs of others.
- demonstrated a willingness to work for the benefit of those in need without monetary compensation or recognition.