

National Junior Society Selection Process

1. Academic Eligibility

7th grade candidates are based on 6th grade and the first semester of 7th grade (6 quarters of grades)

8th grade candidates are based on 6th, 7th, and first semester of 8th grade (10 quarters of grades)

9th grade candidates are based on 6th, 7th, 8th, and the first semester of 9th grade (14 quarters of grades)

All averages must be at least an 88% unrounded.

2. Candidate Notification and Forms

Once a student has been selected based solely on academic eligibility, they are required to completely fill out a Student Activity Information Form. This form outlines the candidate's accomplishments in the areas of: co-curricular activities, leadership positions, community activities, and work experience, recognition, and awards. In addition, they also must have at least one letter of recommendation. This letter may not be from a family member and/or Tome faculty or staff member. The application and letter of recommendation must be submitted by 3:00 p.m. on the due date given. No application will be considered if submitted after the posted due date.

3. Additional Faculty Input

The Head of School and all faculty and staff are invited to submit signed comments on the eligible candidates. This information is reported to the Faculty Council to add to their information when considering selections. All submissions are confidential.

4. Review, Deliberate, and Vote

A five-member Faculty Council determines membership by majority vote after discussion of each candidate and review of information presented to the council by the student and by the faculty. In achieving the 88% of above average, a candidate shall have done so without being cited for such violations as cheating, plagiarism, lack of cooperation with teachers, and failure to fulfill academic responsibilities. All students who can rise in scholarship to or above such standards may be admitted to candidacy for selection to membership. Documentation of these violations may result in rejection by the Council. The Council shall then consider eligibility based on documented service to the school and/or community, leadership, and character.

5. Reporting Results to Head of School

Prior to student notification, the results of the Faculty Council will be presented to the Head of School for approval.

6. Notification

All candidates and their parents are notified in the form of a letter of their selection or non-selection into The Tome School Chapter of National Junior Society. Students who have applied will understand that a notice of non-selection may or may not be accompanied by reasons for non-selection at the discretion of the Council.