NHS Selection Process

You will receive notification by mail that you have met the academic requirements to be considered for membership in the National Honor Society. You will receive this letter at the end of August or the beginning of September. Upon receiving the notification, you will return to the advisers within 48 hours your decision of whether or not you wish to be considered for membership. The notification will also contain the date for a meeting with the officers and the advisers. At that meeting you will receive paperwork that must be completed and returned to the advisers. This paperwork will help the Faculty Council to evaluate you in the areas of service and leadership.

Paperwork:

1). National Honor Society Service Information Form.

On this form, you will need to record the service that you performed from September 1, 2016 through October 2, 2017. You will be asked to describe the service activity and have an advisor/adult sponsor sign off on the form. Signatures of relatives <u>will not</u> be accepted. You must also include a phone number for the person signing the form. Should the Faculty Council want more information, they will call that person. You may only list service which was not done as a requirement for membership in a particular school, civil, or religious organization. Service activities may not be done for a relative or friend. You may not receive compensation of any kind for the service (monetary, grade, credit, reduction in fees, etc.). Should you have questions or concerns that your community service is acceptable feel free to contact one of the advisors - Mrs. Sweeney <u>sweeney@easton.k12.ma.us</u> or Mrs. Holt <u>jholt@easton.k12.ma.us</u>.

2.). Leadership Form

You will be required to submit a personal statement which details your leadership abilities. This statement, of **350 words or less,** should explain how you work to be a positive influence on your peers and how you specifically demonstrate leadership within the school or community. In addition, you will be asked to provide one letter of recommendation from someone who will attest to your leadership qualities. A recommendation form is provided for you and it may be given to teachers, coaches, bosses, and advisers to complete. The recommendation form will be returned directly to the NHS advisers. You are encouraged to ask someone who is able to give concrete examples of your leadership to complete your recommendation.

3.). Character

The administration and faculty will be notified of all candidates and they will be asked to report any negative conduct to the Faculty Council.

It is extremely important that you pay careful attention to meeting times and deadlines. Failure to attend meetings and/or deadlines will lower your chances of becoming a member because it does adversely reflect on your character and leadership.

Once the advisers receive the information, they will give the information to the Faculty Council. The Faculty Council consists of five faculty members chosen by the faculty at the beginning of the school

year. The Faculty Council decides who should be granted membership. The advisers are present at the deliberations but have no vote in the selection of members. The advisers' role is to insure that the Faculty Council has received all information and that all decisions are based upon the information received.