## Cordova High School

## **National Honor Society Chapter Bylaws**

**Article I Name-** The CHS National Honor Society operates under the direction of the National Honor Society.

**Article II Purpose-**The purpose of the Cordova High School National Honor Society is to recognize students outstanding contributions and accomplishments in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service and character.

**Article III Powers-** We will uphold policies and practices that are designed to prevent discrimination of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex and disability.

**Article IV Membership**-Membership in the National Honor Society is an honor bestowed upon deserving students. Members must uphold ethical standards in view of scholarship, leadership, service and citizenship.

Sophomores or juniors are selected as candidates for membership. Candidates must have an equivalent of one semester at Cordova High School. All candidates must exemplify specific qualities to be considered as members. The qualities are as follows:

Scholarship: All eligible candidates must maintain a minimum of a 3.5 cumulative grade point average.

Character: Students must uphold moral and ethical principles that demonstrate respect for others. Students must be honest and reliable.

Leadership: Students that exhibit leadership do so by examining and solving problems, promote ideas and use their talents to help others. Leadership is displayed through positive attitudes and dependable actions.

Service: Students demonstrate service by making voluntary contributions to the community and school. Students must serve organizations in the community and do so willingly.

Citizenship: Students demonstrate citizenship by helping fellow classmates, parents, and community members.

**Article V Selection of Members**-Students are selected in accordance and as outlined in the Cordova High School National Honor Society Selection Policy.

The selection of active members occurs second semester. All students who are scholastically eligible for membership shall be notified and asked to complete and submit candidate information forms.

Article VI Obligations of Members- The duties and responsibilities of members of the National Honor Society are to participate in service projects that maintain the integrity of the organization through leadership, service, and citizenship. The officers will carry out duties relevant to policies and procedures set by the National Honor Society. The adviser will supervise chapter operations, officiate meetings with the Faculty Council and National Honor Society members. National Honor Society members are required to attend all meetings and pay dues.

Article VII Officers- Officers are selected at the beginning or end of each school year. The officers selected are president, vice president, secretary and parliamentarian. The procedure for electing officers is majority vote by CHS National Honor Society members via secret ballot afterwards they must be installed by the chapter. The removal of an officer shall be determined by the adviser and/or Faculty Council. Grounds for dismissal will ensue when a member can no longer uphold the ethical and scholastic standards as outlined in the Selection Policy. Students will receive a warning and shall be removed from office. A flagrant violation against school rules will result in school suspension.

**Article VIII Meetings-**CHS National Honor Society will meet one or two times per month.

Article IX Activities-CHS National Honor Society will host and assist with a variety of community service and school activities. A minimum of twenty individual service hours are required each school year. There will be at least two group service projects. Students will be responsible for obtaining additional service hours.

**Article X Discipline and Dismissal-** The Faculty Council, in compliance with the rules and regulations of the National Honor Society has determined the procedure for dismissal. The procedure for dismissal is probation and then dismissal. The council must hold a hearing when dismissal is pending for a member.

**Article XI Ratification/Approval-** The method for ratifying the bylaws is review of the bylaws at the beginning of each school year by the Faculty Council and chapter Adviser to determine changes. If changes are necessary, revisions will be made.

**Article XII Amendments-** The Faculty Council and Adviser will meet to amend bylaws.