LSMSA Ambassadors

LSMSA Ambassadors are an integral part of LSMSA. Ambassadors are not only distinguished by their academic achievements, but they are also the type of students who foster a sense of community and awareness at LSMSA. Ambassadors are role models for their classmates, their underclassmen, and to prospective students – while on and off campus.

Ambassadors are students who:

- can manage their commitments and make time for additional responsibilities when needed
- can relate well to all sorts of people
- can effectively communicate with peers and adults
- can inspire enthusiasm among those around them
- appreciate the academic and residential components of LSMSA

Students may apply to become an Ambassador following their first semester at LSMSA. Ambassadors are selected based upon:

- contribution to the LSMSA community
- leadership ability / potential
- personal interview
- faculty, residential life, and peer recommendations
- academic performance
- disciplinary record

Once selected, Ambassadors are expected to:

- remain in good standing academically
- maintain an exemplary disciplinary record and positive reputation in the residential life program, as reported by the Residential Life staff
- attend meetings and assist with initiatives as needed

Failure to meet the above expectations may result in a probationary period or the revocation of membership as determined by the sponsor.

National Honor Society

The National Honor Society at the Louisiana School for Math Science and Arts is an affiliate of the National Honor Society sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals. A selection committee comprised of representatives from faculty, staff, and the residential life considers the following criteria for membership.

Eligibility Standards:

At the conclusion of a student's sophomore or junior year, or at the conclusion of a senior's fall semester, the student must:

- Earn and maintain a 3.3 cumulative GPA in coursework at LSMSA
- Have no letter grades of D on his/her transcript
- Have less than six unexcused absences in any semester
- Be guilty of no honor code violations
- Have no major infractions in the Code of Conduct or multiple disciplinary infractions.

- Scholarship, service, leadership, and character shall also be considered when determining membership in the National Honor Society.

Once inducted into the LSMSA NHS Students will have their membership revoked if at a later date he/she does not maintain the eligibility standards and membership requirements.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION (SGO)

The purpose of the SGO is to provide leadership in extracurricular and co-curricular student activities in order to ensure compliance with the school's philosophy and to serve as a liaison among faculty, administration, and student body. Student suggestions for improvement in "Student Life" are initiated through this body that meets bi-monthly. Any student may attend SGO meetings. Executive committee elections for the SGO take place in late spring of the school year. The executive committee is comprised of the president, vice president, and secretary-treasurer. Elections are held in late spring for class officers.

OTHER STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AND CLUBS

Students will be permitted to form and join lawful groups for common purposes that are consistent with the philosophy and the rules and regulations of LSMSA. Clubs will be considered as either co-curricular or extra-curricular with their designated purpose to serve as non-essential, supplemental activities to the educational and socialization processes. Students have a responsibility and will be required to conduct the activities of the club in a manner that reflects compatibility with the mission of the school.

LSMSA has more than 40 active student organizations that perform community service, attend conferences and conventions, sponsor campus activities, and participate in fundraising. Any student who wants to start a new club or revive an old one can make a proposal to the Interclub Council (ICC), a group consisting of current club presidents and editors of school publications.

A list of clubs and organizations can be found on the school's web site, www.lsmsa.edu/studentlife

NOTE: Refer the section "Freedom of Expression" in General Policies and Procedures for additional information regarding an organization's or club's responsibilities and limitations.