

About The National Junior Honor Society (NJHS)

The National Junior Honor Society is a nationally recognized organization established to support academic goals of students at the middle school level. The national program began in 1929 by the National Association of Secondary School Principals and can be found in over 70 countries worldwide. The organization is open to all students who choose to apply themselves and who meet the criteria of five key principles:

Scholarship: Students who have a cumulative grade point average of approximately 90 percent meet the scholarship requirement for membership. These students are then eligible for consideration on the basis of service, leadership, and character and citizenship.

Service: This quality is defined through the voluntary contributions made by a student to the school or community, done without compensation and with a positive, courteous, and enthusiastic spirit.

Leadership: Student leaders are those who are resourceful, good problem solvers, promoters of school activities, idea-contributors, dependable, and persons who exemplify positive attitudes about life. Leadership experiences can be drawn from school or community activities while working with or for others.

Character: The student of good character upholds principles of morality and ethics, is cooperative, demonstrates high standards of honesty and reliability, shows courtesy, concern, and respect for others, and generally maintains a good and clean lifestyle.

Citizenship: The student who demonstrates citizenship understands the importance of civic involvement, has a high regard for freedom, justice, and democracy, and demonstrates mature participation and responsibility through involvement with such activities as scouting, community organizations, and school clubs.

For more information about NJHS, please visit www.njhs.us.