

NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY

Memorial Middle School

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The National Junior Honor Society of Memorial Middle School is a duly chartered and affiliated chapter of the prestigious national organization. Membership is open to those students who meet the required standards in five areas of evaluation: scholarship, leadership, service, citizenship, and character. Standards for selection are established by the national office of NJHS and have been revised to meet our local chapter needs. Students are selected by a five-member Faculty Council, appointed by the principal, which bestows this honor upon qualified students on behalf of the faculty of our school each year.

At the end of the first marking period, all 7th and 8th grade middle school student records are reviewed for eligibility. All students who have a cumulative grade point average of A are invited to complete a Student Activity Information Form which provides the Faculty Council with information regarding the candidate's leadership and service. A history of leadership experiences and participation in school or community service is required.

To evaluate a candidate's character, the faculty council uses two evaluation tools. School disciplinary records are reviewed and members of the faculty are solicited for input on a candidate's activities in the area of service, character, leadership, and citizenship. These forms and the Student Activity Information Forms are carefully reviewed by the Faculty Council to determine membership. A majority vote of the council is necessary for selection. Candidates are notified regarding selection or non-selection in writing according to a predetermined schedule.

Following notification, a formal induction ceremony may be held at the school to recognize all newly-selected members. Once inducted, members are required to maintain the same level of performance (or better) in all five criteria that led to their selection. This obligation includes regular attendance at chapter meetings held monthly during the school year, and participation in the chapter service projects.

Students or parents who have questions regarding the selection process or membership obligations can contact the chapter adviser, Mrs. Marilyn Coats-Thomas via email at mcoats-thomas@fairlawnschools.org.