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## National Junior Honor Society

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Dear NJHS candidate and parents:

Congratulations! Your cumulative grade point average (GPA) for fall semester as a CPMS 7<sup>th</sup> grader is a 3.7 or above. You are eligible for membership in National Junior Honor Society. This is an honor! This DOES NOT mean you are a member, it means you are eligible. The attached forms must be filled out and turned in within one week, late forms are not accepted. Those making membership will be notified at a later date.

### What is National Jr. Honor Society?

Membership into this chapter is a very high honor bestowed upon a student. Selection for membership is by a faculty council, which is selected by the principal and chapter advisor. Student selection is based on the effective demonstration of the five qualities held in high esteem by the society. These qualities are **outstanding scholarship, character, leadership, service and citizenship**. Once selected, members have the responsibility to continue to demonstrate these qualities. They must also maintain a 3.7 overall grade point average on a 4.0 scale (A-). **No student is inducted simply because of a high academic average.** NJHS strives to recognize the total student, one who excels in all 5 areas. We are truly a service organization..... giving to others.

**National Junior Honor Society** is a National organization that was established with the purpose of creating enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership, and to encourage good citizenship. This chapter was established in 1987. Since that time our numbers have grown and our services have increased. Throughout the years we have enjoyed doing various things for our school, teachers, and community. We sponsored a young girl from Ethiopia for three years a boy from Alabama named Julius, for 15 years and Pekendre for 10 years. This was through the Child Life/Christian Children's Fund. We have been able to make donations to organizations such as Riley Children's Hospital, Johnson County Special Services, American Cancer Society, Ronald McDonald House, Susan B. Komen Race for the Cure, Proctor Park, Pack Away Hunger and other groups as well. We sponsor Red Ribbon Week and decorate the school at Christmas. We have been buying Christmas gifts and clothes for the children at Headstart in Franklin. In the past we have bought eyeglasses, hearing aids, clothes and shoes for students in need at our school. We have been able to sponsor and participate in these activities only through the hard work and dedication of our members and their parents. We raise money through car washes, selling spirit wear and the Welcome Back Dance.

Our members also attend the Butler Ropes Course Leadership training in August/ Sept, to learn to work together and become better leaders.

NJHS meets every other Friday morning at 7:10 a.m. and each member is required to attend. The **new members will be inducted on Thursday, April 6, at 6:00 p.m.** Required practice will be Tues., April 4 until 5:45. The new members will start attending meetings on Friday, April 14 , after Induction.

## **Selection of Members**

The student's academic, attendance and behavior records have been reviewed. The academic requirements, A- or a 3.7 on a scale of 4.0, is based on a student's scholastic average from fall semester. Algebra 1 is weighted  $\frac{2}{3}$ . Only 7<sup>th</sup> grade students are eligible.

For further consideration, each candidate must complete the Student Information/Activity Forms. (attached) These forms must be turned in to the chapter advisor, Mrs. Galloway, **within a week of the day** that it is handed out. Each student must be involved in at **least two extra-curricular activities, activities that meet outside the school day. Failure to turn in the forms with the candidate's name on it, on time, will automatically remove the student's name from the selection process.**

All seventh and eighth grade faculty members and staff will be given a **confidential evaluation form** to be filled out on each student who is eligible.

**The faculty council** will review student discipline, attendance, and tardy files. The five members of the faculty council will make final selections. Candidates receiving a majority vote will be inducted into the chapter in the spring. The chapter advisor and assistant advisor **do not** have a vote.

## **Dismissal of Members**

Members who fall below the standards, which were the basis of their selection, shall be promptly warned in writing, email or by phone, by the chapter advisor and given a reasonable amount of time to correct the deficiency. Members are allowed limited warnings during their membership. In the case of a flagrant violation of school rules or civil laws, a warning is not required. The faculty council shall determine when an individual has exceeded a reasonable number of warnings. A student who is dismissed or resigns may never again become a NJHS member. They may still be eligible for high school National Honor Society. After a student receives two behavior referrals, warrior logs or causes a major disruption, their name shall come before the faculty council for evaluation and discipline. Each time inappropriate behavior is observed, the chapter advisor will inform the errant member and parent, in writing, email or by phone, of the nature of the violation, the time period given for improvement, and possible consequence of non-improvement. The faculty council shall determine when a member has exceeded a reasonable number of warnings. A member who has been dismissed may appeal the decision of the council under the same rules as for disciplinary appeals in the school district.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at 535-2025 ext. 6895 or [sgalloway@cpccsc.k12.in.us](mailto:sgalloway@cpccsc.k12.in.us) or check out our website:

**[NJHSwhiteland.weebly.com](http://NJHSwhiteland.weebly.com)**

Sincerely,

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