

Requirements for NJHS:

- The student must be in 7th or 8th grade in order to qualify to become a member
- The student must have HIGH HONORS for the **first and second** nine weeks to be able to apply. NO EXCEPTIONS. High honors is a 94.5% GPA or higher in the four major subjects (math, science, language arts, and social studies)
- If the student has the grades (high honors) for both nine weeks (the first two), then at the start of the 3rd nine weeks, there will be a meeting with all the students that qualify to let the students know that they can apply for NJHS
  - - The application needs to be filled out as comprehensively as possible, including an essay which must be typed.
  - - After the application submitted, a panel of five teachers will read each application. There is no set number of students that are chosen for the NJHS. All students meeting the above requirements will be inducted upon the vote of the panel of teachers on the selection committee. Each applicant and application will be evaluated according to the 5 Pillars—Service, Citizenship, Scholarship, Leadership, and Character. In addition, it is important to note that late applications will not be accepted.
  - - The induction ceremony will take place in March or April, the date TBA in the auditorium at 7pm. The students will need to be dressed up (formal) and the ceremony usually takes about an hour with refreshments and cookies to follow.
  - - Once a student is inducted, it is important that he or she maintains high honors in order to stay in the club. Students also must follow the 5 Pillars (listed above). If a student does not meet the academic standard for one nine-weeks, the student will be placed on probation, which means he or she will have one nine-week grading period to bring up his or her grades. Nevertheless, if the student still fails to bring up his or her grades by the conclusion of the consecutive nine-week marking period (2 consecutive nine-week grading periods below high honors), the student will then be dismissed from the club.
  - - If a student gets inducted as a 7th grader, he or she will start the "Activities and club responsibilities" at the beginning of 8th grade (fall/September). If he or she is already an 8th grader at the time of induction, the student will be immediately active for the remaining months of the school year.
  - - Current NJHS members and prospective members must also display leadership qualities and positive behavior. If a student gets written up for a behavioral issue—depending on the circumstances—the student can also be dismissed from the club upon vote from the panel of teachers.