



National Junior Honor Society

Membership Criteria

Leadership:

A student exercises leadership when he or she:

- **Is resourceful in proposing new solutions, applying principles, and making suggestions**
- **Demonstrates initiative in promoting school activities**
- **Exercises positive influence on peers in upholding school ideals and spirit**
- **Contributes ideas that improve the civic life of the school**
- **Is able to delegate responsibilities**
- **Inspires positive behaviors in others**
- **Demonstrates academic initiative**
- **Successfully holds school offices or positions of responsibility; conducts business effectively and efficiently; demonstrates reliability and dependability**

Service:

A student who serves:

- **Volunteers and provides dependable and well-organized assistance, and is willing to make sacrifices to offer assistance**
- **Works well with others and is willing to take on difficult or inconspicuous responsibilities**
- **Enthusiastically renders any requested service to the school**
- **Is willing to represent the class or school in interclass and interscholastic competition**
- **Does committee and staff work without complaint**
- **Participates in some activity outside of school, for example Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, religious groups, volunteer services for the elderly, poor, or disadvantaged**
- **Mentors in the community or students at other schools**
- **Shows courtesy by assisting visitors, teachers, and students**

Citizenship:

The student who demonstrates citizenship:

- **Understands the importance of civic engagement**
- **Has a high regard for freedom and justice; respects the US form of government (representative democracy); and respects the law for all citizens at the local, state, and federal levels**
- **Demonstrates mature participation and responsibility through involvement with such activities as scouting, community organizations, or school clubs.**

Character:

The student of character:

- **Consistently exemplifies positive and desirable qualities of behavior (cheerfulness, friendliness, poise, stability, etc.)**
- **Cooperates by complying with school policies and regulations and codes of student conduct**
- **Takes criticism willingly and accepts recommendations graciously**
- **Demonstrates the highest standards of honesty, academic integrity, and reliability**
- **Regularly exhibits courtesy, concern, and respect for others**
- **Complies with instructions and rules, and displays personal responsibility.**