

Sept. 18, 2019

To NJHS Candidates and Custodial Adult:

Today during lunch, we met to outline the requirements for being an NJHS member and inductee. Students were given the requirement forms to complete throughout the year. This form will also be available on our South website under activities link - National Junior Honor Society. <https://www.ecasd.us/South-Middle-School/Activities/National-Junior-Honor-Society> Please review these requirements with your NJHS candidate.

Below you will find the requirements and examples of service. All service forms and letter of recommendation or video recommendation must be completed by **May 7 - no late forms or letters/videos will be accepted.**

Requirements for NJHS

-3.75 GPA each quarter

-attend meetings - only excused absences will be permitted; a note will be required from a teacher or custodial adult explaining the absence

-complete the service, leadership, and extracurricular requirements - due **Thursday, May 7 at 2:52 - no lates.**

-respectful, responsible, and ready leadership qualities exhibited at school; any teacher/office referrals or teacher discussions about continual inappropriate behaviors displayed may result in student being asked to leave the club

-complete the letter or video and receive signatures - due **Thursday, May 7, by 2:52- no lates accepted.**

-complete a minimum 10 volunteer hours (3 hours must be at South Middle School) by the end of April - forms are due **Thursday, May 7, by 2:52 - no lates accepted.**

Examples of Service

I. Extracurricular & Community Activities - List all activities you have participated in this year. Include clubs, teams, musical groups, etc. and major accomplishments in each. **Examples:**

Sports teams at school or traveling teams: YMCA Marlins, AYSO, SMS Cross Country, etc.

Music Groups at school or in community: EC Children's Choir, PiJazz, Encore, MS Honors, etc.

Clubs in school or in community: FCA, youth/church groups, Scouts, Student Council, Builder's Club, ECCT/CVTG, etc.

School activities: Forensics, Yearbook, SMS play, Odyssey of the Mind, Math Counts, etc.

II. Leadership Positions - List all elected or appointed leadership positions held in school, community, or work activities. Only those positions in which you were demonstrating leadership should be included.

Examples: Student council member, captain or lead in a club/group, peer mentor, etc.

III. Service & Citizenship Activities - List service & citizenship activities in which you have participated. These can be projects done individually, or with a group, either in or out of school. Generally speaking, these activities are those that are done for or on behalf of others (**not including immediate family members**) for which **no compensation (you cannot be paid)** has been given.

Examples: Help at sporting events at South, Peer tutoring, feeding the neighbor's cat (**no pay**), shoveling snow for an elderly neighbor (**no pay**), school store, etc.

IV. Sample letter/video format

A. Letter requirements: (see back for letter format & requirements)

B. Video requirements – 5 minutes or less

State or show your name, phone number, & address.

In segment 1, address why you participated in National Junior Honor Society this year.

In segment 2, explain how you exemplify the qualities of leadership, academics, character, and service.

In segment 3, explain how your service benefitted the school or community this year. Have video clips of your service in action. Get signatures from three caring adults (not adults that you live with) stating they support your NJHS membership and/or video tape them supporting your membership by stating their name and spelling of name.

Your name
Your Mailing Address
City, state, and zip
Telephone number(s)
School email address

Today's date
Mrs. Leonard & Mrs. Morgan
2115 Mitscher Ave.
Eau Claire, WI 54701

Dear South Staff:

In paragraph 1, address why you participated in National Junior Honor Society this year.

In paragraph 2, explain how you exemplify the qualities of leadership, academics, character, and service.

In paragraph 3, explain how your service benefitted the school or community this year.

Sincerely,

Your handwritten signature

ADULT SIGNATURES (not adults that you live with)

I support _____ for NJHS membership. Relationship to student

- (1) _____
- (2) _____
- (3) _____

National Junior Honor Society Schedule 2019-2020

Day/Date	Time/Place	Agenda item
Sept. 18/Wed.	Lunch (A&B&C)/241	Informational - pass out Requirements.
Sept. 20/Fri.	Resource/ Auditorium	Informational - Determine Monthly Leaders
Oct. 3/Thurs.	Lunch/241	What are the service categories? Return permission slip signed by caring adult .
Nov. 7/ Thurs.	Lunch/241	Brainstorm activities & sign-up.
Dec. 5/ Thurs.	Lunch/241	Plan upcoming service & TBD.
Jan. 2/ Thurs.	Lunch/241	Share service experiences & plan.
Feb. 6/ Thurs.	Lunch/241	Plan upcoming service & TBD Turn in 1st Semester Hours
March 5/ Thurs.	Lunch/241	Share, plan, & TBD.
April 9/ Thurs.	Lunch/241	Assess where you are with service hours & make plans for success & share experiences.
April 28/Tues.	Lunch/241	Application workday.
April 29/Wednesday	Lunch/241	Application workday.
May 7/Thurs.	APPLICATIONS DUE!	Turn in to Mrs. Leonard or Mrs. Morgan
NO LATES will be accepted - due by 2:52		
May 18/Mon.	Lunch/auditorium	Ceremony practice.
May 18/Mon.	7:00/auditorium	Inductee Ceremony

Return to Mrs. Morgan or Mrs. Leonard on or before the September 20 meeting.

I _____ (1st and last name of student) have read the NJHS requirements and would like to participate this year. I understand that I have to complete all of the requirements listed below in order to be inducted on May 20th, 2019. If I do not fulfill the requirements, I will forfeit the honor of being inducted. I, also, understand that **no late** service forms, letters, or videos will be accepted.

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Student signature

Adult at Home signature