

Membership Process

1. Students achieve a six-semester cumulative GPA of 3.75.
(6th grade & 1/2 of 7th grade or 7th grade and 1/2 of 8th grade)
2. Students work to fulfill the other four membership standards. (6th & 7th grade)
3. Letters are sent home to invite the candidates to apply. (Late February)
4. Candidates fill out the Student Application. (March)
5. The NJHS committee selects the new members. (Early April)
6. Candidates are notified of the decision in writing. (Early April)
7. New members attend the induction ceremony. (Late April)
8. Members attend chapter meetings.

Students should fulfill these membership standards in 6th and 7th grade and provide clear examples on their Student Information Forms when they apply for membership

Scholarship: Students who have a cumulative grade point average of 3.75 (on a 4.0 scale), meet the scholarship requirement for membership. These students are then eligible for consideration on the basis of service, leadership, and character, and citizenship.

Service: This quality is defined through the voluntary contributions made by a student to the school or community, done without compensation and with a positive, courteous, and enthusiastic spirit.

Leadership: Student leaders are those who are resourceful, good problem solvers, promoters of school activities, idea-contributor, dependable, and persons who exemplify positive attitudes about life. Leadership experiences can be drawn from school or community activities while working with or for others.

Character: The student of good character upholds principles of morality and ethics, is cooperative, demonstrates high standards of honesty and reliability, shows courtesy, concern, and respect for others, and generally maintains a good and clean lifestyle.

Citizenship: The student who demonstrates citizenship understands the importance of civic involvement, has a high regard for freedom, justice, and democracy, and demonstrates mature participation and responsibility through involvement with such activities as scouting, community organizations, and school clubs.