

MCCLOSKEY MIDDLE SCHOOL

National Junior Honor Society
Application
2015-2016



CHARACTER
SCHOLARSHIP
LEADERSHIP
SERVICE
CITIZENSHIP

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Parent(s) or Guardian(s) _____

Parent(s) Email Address _____

Student's Email Address _____

Homeroom Teacher _____

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****Application Deadline is Friday January 8th 2016****

The NJHS looks for students who show outstanding qualities in scholarship, character, leadership, citizenship, and service. Take a minute to consider all you have done in these areas. Please complete all sections. Print clearly in blue or black ink. Do not be modest. Every bit of information will be used by the faculty council to assist with the selection process. Completion of this form does not guarantee selection.

I. Scholarship

Please note the scholarship criteria: Candidates for membership shall have spent at least the equivalent of two trimesters at McCloskey Middle School. The only candidates eligible for election to the chapter shall be in grade 8 and have a combined scholastic average (combined data from final grade 6 & 7 and Trimester 1 of grade 8) of an A- or above in core academic courses. For the purpose of average the following numerical equivalents will be used: A or A+ = 4.0, A- = 3.7, B+ = 3.3, B = 3.0, B- = 2.7, C+ = 2.3, C = 2.0, C- = 1.7, C+ = 1.3, C = 1.0, C- = 0.7, D+ = 0.3, D or lower = 0

II. Character and Citizenship

Your character is the combination of qualities that distinguishes you from another person. It is your combined moral and ethical make-up. Good citizenship encompasses your behavior. It also includes your duties, rights, and privileges as a citizen of McCloskey Middle School. Please provide at least two and no more than three recommendations. One **MUST** be filled out by a MMS staff member and one must be filled out by an outside professional. Forms are at the end of the application packet and may be copied.

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III Leadership

The National Junior Honor Society is a service, as well as a scholarship-oriented organization. **You must be a member of at least one school-sponsored club, activity, or sport.** Please list all school activities you have participated in during grades 7 & 8. All activities must be verified by the coach, advisor, or adult organizer by signature.

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY USING BLACK OR BLUE PEN ONLY.

7th/8th Grade School Sport or School Club	List Activity & Year(s) Involved Description of activities participated in	Printed Name and Signature of Coach / Advisor/Teacher* (must be verified by staff) <i>You may supply a letter of attendance</i>
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

* If you are unable to obtain the signature of the outside coach or advisor, please list their name and supply a printed copy of a letter stating that you have in fact been a member of said team.

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IV Service

Student must take part in **at least one community service activity or project, i.e. boy/girl scouts, relay for life, walk-a-thons, tutoring, religious work, or any program which requires volunteerism or charity.**

Please note that babysitting does NOT count as a community service. Please list all community service activities you have participated in during grades 7 & 8. All activities must be verified by signature.

Additionally, student must have at least 10 hours of community service hours.

7th/8th Grade Community service organization	List Activity & Year(s) Involved Description of activities participated in	Hours of Involvement during the current year	Printed Name and Signature of Advisor/Teacher* (must be verified by staff)
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			

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V. Personal Essay

Directions: Your essay must be **hand-written**, in blue or black ink, on a separate sheet of paper. Any essay typewritten will NOT be considered. Use only one sheet of paper (may use the front and back). Include your essay with this application. Be sure your first and last name is at the top right hand corner of the paper.

Please write about the following:

1. Explain why you think you would be a good representative for the National Junior Honor Society.
2. If chosen, how do you feel you could make our National Junior Honor Society a better organization?
3. Explain what service you would like the NJHS to be involved in while you are a member. Be realistic and specific keeping our community in mind.
4. How will you intend to make service a part of your life?

MMS - NJHS – Recommendation Form

- **STUDENT – GIVE TO TEACHER**
- **TEACHER – SUBMIT DIRECTLY TO NJHS ADVISER. (Mrs. Martellio) by January 8th, 2016**

PLEASE USE BLACK OR BLUE PEN ONLY

Student Name: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

Please mark one choice for each category (see number code below).

Number

Code:	4	Exceptional, outstanding, superior, creative
	3	Above average, receptive, constructive
	2	Average, cooperative but passive
	1	Below Average
	0	Unfavorable

LEADERSHIP

A. Takes constructive lead in class, activities	4	3	2	1	0	
B. Readily assumes responsibilities	4	3	2	1	0	
C. Contributes constructive ideas for class, activity or school		4	3	2	1	0
D. Shows initiative in undertaking	4	3	2	1	0	

CHARACTER

A. Promptly meets individual responsibilities to school & teachers	4	3	2	1	0
B. Demonstrates highest standards of honesty, reliability & fairness	4	3	2	1	0
C. Performs duties efficiently and responsibly	4	3	2	1	0
D. Shows courtesy to teacher, students & genuine concern for others	4	3	2	1	0

If you wish to write a narrative you may include that on the back of this form.

Teacher Signature: _____

Date: _____

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- **STUDENT –OTHER PROFESSIONAL**
- **Outside Professional –Given back to the student in a sealed envelope with your signature across the seal.**
- **Student- Please return sealed envelope to the MMS-NJHS Adviser- Mrs. Martello**

PLEASE USE BLACK OR BLUE PEN ONLY

Student Name: _____

Professional's Name: _____

Professional's relationship to the Applicant:

How do you know the applicant? _____

Professional Signature: _____ Date: _____

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