

# Conway Middle School Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society

## Requirements for Admission

### **1. Criteria**

Students must meet the following requirements for the first three marking periods of the current academic school year: 6<sup>th</sup> graders - 4.0 GPA, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders - 3.5 GPA.

Students must have exemplary conduct record.

### **2. Community Service**

Students are required to have at least **five** hours of community service to be eligible for induction into the National Junior Honor Society. A student may not be paid for this service. The community service must have been performed during the time between tapping and induction. The log sheets of community service hours will be due on October 7, 2014 (our second meeting) prior to the induction ceremony. Examples of community service can be found in the chart on the next page. An additional 10 hours are required during the remainder of the school year in order to maintain membership in good standing.

### **3. Enrollment**

Members who transfer from another school may submit documentation of membership to be eligible to participate in the Conway Middle School chapter.

### **4. Qualities of NJHS Members**

#### *Leadership:*

Students must demonstrate responsibility in clubs and have a positive influence on peers. They must uphold scholarship and maintain a loyal school attitude. Candidates with these attributes will be considered for NJHS.

#### *Character:*

A student with character must demonstrate the following six qualities: respect, responsibility, trustworthiness, fairness, caring, and citizenship. Candidates will be selected on their ability to demonstrate and uphold these standards. Faculty advisors will assess the observed behavior of students who are candidates and take into consideration the aforementioned attributes of character.

#### *Citizenship:*

Candidates must demonstrate an understanding of the importance of civic involvement, have a high regard for freedom, justice, and respect for the American form of government, and demonstrate mature participation and responsibility through involvement in school clubs and community organizations.

## **Requirements to Maintain Membership**

### **1. Academic Review**

Once a candidate has been inducted, he/she is responsible for maintaining a 3.5 cumulative GPA. The chapter advisor will review grades at the end of each quarter. Members who fall below the required GPA will be given a warning as soon as quarter grades become available.

### **2. Community Service / Student Activities**

Once a candidate has been inducted, he/she is required to earn 15 hours of community service each school year. Five of those hours must be completed and turned in by October 7, 2013 (at the second meeting) in order to be included in the induction ceremony in November. Examples of community service are found in the chart below. Students are encouraged to acquire all community service hours within the school and district. Students will be given log sheets to keep track of their community service hours. The log sheets will be collected throughout the year.

### **3. Meetings**

The meetings are always on the first Tuesday of every month, beginning on September 2, 2014. That is the deadline for applications and dues. If you have any hours to turn in from the summer, you may do so at that time.

## **Examples of Eligible Volunteer Public Service Activities**

Helping with food and clothing drives	Church projects
Working at soup kitchens	Disabled citizen assistance
Providing community-wide daycare	Hospital volunteer
Animal care/shelter work	Library work
Camp or Park volunteer	Meals on Wheels
Aid to the elderly	Tutoring
Service done with school clubs/groups	Big Brother/Big Sister
Cooking/Serving at Ronald McDonald House	Helping teachers in their classrooms
Working at elementary school carnivals/events	Reading Buddies program at elementary schools

## **Some Examples of INELIGIBLE Volunteer Public Service Activities**

Singing in a church choir  
Altar boy/girl  
Babysitting  
Chorus

Confirmation classes  
Working on a political campaign  
Sports  
Band