



2016-2017 National Junior Honor Society Application

Ligon GT Magnet Middle School

****ONLY students who will be in 7th or 8th for the 16-17 school year (this means current 6th and 7th graders) are eligible to apply****



I understand that completion of the tasks listed below does not guarantee membership but does allow the applicant to be considered for membership in the National Junior Honor Society. I will accept the final decision of the faculty committee charged with the responsibility of selecting members.

*****Applications without current homeroom teacher listed will not be accepted*****

Name: _____ Grade: _____ HR Teacher: _____

Parent's Email: _____ Your Email: _____

Each candidate must submit an original essay (200-word maximum) that clearly identifies and gives supporting evidence as to why s/he should be selected for membership in NJHS. The essay must address specific strengths within the areas of character, leadership, service, scholarship, and citizenship. Attention to grammar, spelling, and sentence structure is expected.

Each candidate must submit a letter of recommendation for NJHS membership from someone who is familiar with and can describe, with specific examples, the candidate's character, leadership, service, scholarship, and citizenship strengths. This letter of recommendation can be from any adult **other than a relative or Ligon teacher**. The letter can be in whatever format the writer prefers, but it must have an original signature. Emailed letters will not be accepted. Please address the letter to the NJHS Committee. The letter should be returned to the candidate and submitted with the total application package.

Each candidate must also submit a copy of his/her most current report card (through 3rd quarter of 2016). Given the nature of NJHS as an academic honor society, students must have an A average in their core classes (language arts, math, science, and social studies) in order to be selected. This means you can receive one B in a core class and still be eligible for NJHS. Report cards submitted with any C's (elective included) will prevent admittance to NJHS.

Each candidate's personal essay, required recommendation, copy of his/her report card, and this signed information sheet, must be turned in to Ms. Hiner (room 1209). All materials must be turned in together. EMAILED APPLICATION MATERIALS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

You will not be considered for membership if the application materials are not turned in by 2:20 p.m. on Friday, May 13. Materials can be turned in any time prior to the final date. NJHS is a student-led organization that promotes community service, scholarship, leadership, citizenship, and character. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Hiner at lhiner@wcpss.net.

Members are required to complete 20 service hours each year, attend monthly meetings, participate in school-wide NJHS projects, and maintain an A average in core classes.

I certify that the information in this package is accurate and complete.

Student signature: _____

Parent signature: _____