



# Sharyland ISD National Junior Honor Society

## NJHS Selection Criteria: The 5 Pillars

You are now eligible to apply for membership in the Sharyland North Jr. High Chapter of National Junior Honor Society. Membership in NJHS is one of the highest honors a student can receive. Our chapter strives to maintain the National Junior Honor Society's standards of ***Scholarship, Leadership, Service, Citizenship, and Character.***

<b><i>Scholarship</i></b>	Students who achieve scholarship are those who have proven themselves by maintaining a cumulative grade point average of 90% by the end of the fourth grading period during their seventh-grade year. Ninety percent (90%) is still required for the remaining two (2) terms. Also, students <b><i>must have</i></b> challenged themselves academically by taking at least three (3) <b>Honors courses during their seventh-grade year.</b>
<b><i>Leadership</i></b>	Students who exercise leadership promote school pride and activities, have a positive attitude and inspire positive behavior in others. Students who lead as a member of NJHS lead by example, and are exceptionally dependable, responsible, and improve the civic life for all members of both the school and the community.
<b><i>Service</i></b>	Students who serve their campus also serve their community in a positive way. These students always volunteer to help the aged, poor, or disadvantaged. These students are courteous and are always willing to sacrifice themselves to offer assistance. They render any requested service to the school and serve as an extraordinary representative for their school <b><i>and</i></b> their district.
<b><i>Citizenship</i></b>	Students who demonstrate citizenship understand the importance of civic involvement by supporting campus and district policies and procedures. Students with excellent citizenship follow the rules and encourage others to do the same. Students also demonstrate mature participation and responsibility through involvement with such activities as scouting, community organizations, and school clubs.
<b><i>Character</i></b>	Students of character uphold principles of morality and ethics through honest actions with peers and adults. Students observe instructions and rules, and behave accordingly both in and out of school. Students with outstanding character acknowledge campus and district rules by complying with regulations concerning property, programs, and campus events. Students of the highest character avoid cheating, and take criticism in a constructive manner.

These five pillars will be considered as the basis for your selection as well as a fundamental part of our chapter activities. The National Junior Honor Society strives to recognize the total student—one who excels in these areas. **No student is inducted simply because of a high academic average.** Please note that though you are eligible to apply, you have not been accepted into the organization yet. Applications must be reviewed by the NJHS Faculty Committee to determine the acceptance of new members each year.



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## Dismissal from NJHS

Students must abide by SISD Student Code of Conduct, demonstrate sound and effective leadership, admirable citizenship, and trustworthy character every day! A student may be subject for dismissal from NJHS but not limited to the following reasons:

- a. Violation of the SISD Student Code of Conduct
- b. Failing 2 or more core courses per semester
- c. Failure to attend 50% or more of regularly scheduled NJHS meetings
- d. Academic dishonesty; has any documented incident of cheating and/or plagiarism
- e. Lying on community service hours
- f. Failure to maintain 10 community service hours each year
- g. Failure to maintain a cumulative, overall junior high school average of 90%.
- h. Failure to turn in community service hours to NJHS Lead Sponsor each year
- i. Non-compliance of SISD Attendance Policy
- j. 4 or more absences may cause dismissal from NJHS- Campus attendance committee will review excessive absences for all members.
- k. 3 unexcused absences or is excessively absent from NJHS meetings or service projects
- l. Failing to successfully pass all STAAR examinations while in NJHS
- m. Any incident violating the SISD Acceptable Use or BYOD Policy.
- n. Participates in any incident of vandalism, unethical and or immoral behavior
- o. Failure to participate in any community service events while in NJHS