#### That's Great!!

It is so wonderful that you are interested in joining National Junior Honor Society! It is a wonderful organization that gives you an opportunity to better yourselves and others through service and leadership in your school, home, and community.

# So What Is National Junior Honor Society?

NJHS is a faculty-conferred organization that is designed to create enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership, to develop character, and to encourage good citizenship in students. If you are a strong student academically and behaviorally, demonstrate positive leadership in the classroom and community, and love to help others, this club is for you!

#### So How Do I Get In?

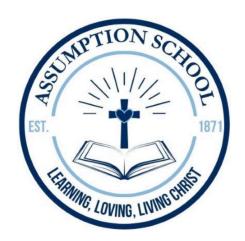
Membership is determined based on how well students meet the criteria that is set forth by the governing bodies of NJHS. These criterion are the club's five pillars, Scholarship, Leadership, Service, Character, and Citizenship. All 5 of these pillars are equally important when considering students for membership. Keep reading to learn more about these pillars in detail.

## **More Information**

Chapter Advisors: Mrs. Kleckner & Mrs. Welby

Chapter Dues: \$20/year Chapter Activities:
Monthly meetings, planning in-school
activities/service projects, completing
individual outside service hours, and
completing 1 group service project in the
community

More information, including the eligibility rubric and chapter bylaws can be found on the school website.





So You're Interested in NJHS...?



# So What Are The Pillars?

## Scholarship

The NJHS student is expected to maintain a high degree of academic excellence. In this chapter, a minimum cumulative middle school GPA of 3.75 is required. This is the first criteria for NJHS. If you meet this GPA requirement, you will receive an initial invitation to fill out an application in your 7<sup>th</sup> Grade year.

## Citizenship

The NJHS student understands the importance of civic engagement. They have a high regard for freedom and justice and respects the law for all citizens. Students demonstrate citizenship by following school guidelines and expectations. Any write-ups, detentions, and/or suspensions must be explained in detail on the application for NJHS.

#### Character

The NJHS student models good character. This student is a positive influence on their peers and on younger students both in school and the community. This pillar is evaluated on the application by letters of recommendation and current teacher evaluation forms.

## Leadership

The NJHS student is a positive leader for their peers and younger students both in school and the community. Leadership can be exemplified by positions held in various community organizations. Leadership is also determined by student behavior/participation in the classroom and other school settings.

Leaders become great not because of their power but, because of their ability to empower others.

John Maxwell

"As we lose ourselves in the service of others, we discover our own lives and our own happiness"

#### Service

The NJHS student engages themselves in service (that is, doing things for others without compensation, monetarily or otherwise). Service is looked at both inside and outside of school. Some examples could be, but are not limited to: volunteering at food banks, assisting elderly neighbors with household chores, serving at mass, cleaning up area parks/rivers.

### So Who Makes The Call?

Membership is a faculty-conferred honor and is determined by members of the anonymous Faculty Council. This is comprised of 5 faculty/staff members in the school. They review the materials submitted and determine if the student is a good fit for NJHS. This is based on both subjective and objective materials. The chapter advisors do **not** vote on student admittance.