

About NJHS at East Islip Middle School

National Junior Honor Society is a club for 8th graders only. If by the end of 7th grade of 2023, you have an overall average from 6th and 7th GPA that is at least a 91 you will receive a letter and the application in the mail in May before the school year ends (before 8th grade begins). You will need to fill out the application and hand it in the day of the written statement is given at the start of the new school year.

PLEASE NOTE: If you are a current 6th grader in 2022-2023 school year you must have a GPA of a 95 in both 6th and 7th grades to be eligible for NJHS for 8th grade!

The application consists of a written statement, 2 recommendation letters from 1 teacher (minimum and) another person such as a coach or troop leader. In addition, in students must show involvement in school activities and outside school activities demonstrating the 5 tenets for NJHS: Scholarship (grades), Character (**clean disciplinary record**), Leadership, and Service (inside and outside school Service) .

Students must show they are involved in clubs, sports, music, theater etcetera during 6th and/or 7th grades. Students must show involvement in community service that you had done in 6th and/or 7th grade. Students must also show involvement outside of school: sports, girls/boys scouts, dance, religion class, sports or helping the community. Once the application has been reviewed, you will receive a letter if you have been accepted towards the end of September or beginning of November. Once accepted in NJHS, members do many different communities service activities such as Drives, Winter Fundraisers, ALS Ride for Life, and baskets for families in need, holiday baskets for families in need, visit a nursing home, and much more.

NJHS Requirements

In order to be accepted into NJHS, there are 5 requirements.

- 1) You need an overall average of at least a 91 for 6th and 7th grade (**ONLY students that will be 8th graders in 2023-2023 school year**). Current 6th graders who will be 8th graders in 2024-2025 the GPA is **now** a 95 maintained for 6th and 7th grades.
- 2) You need to have been a member of a school clubs, sports, music etcetera in 6th and/or 7th grade AND have done community service inside and outside school.
- 3). A complete Application Due Date Info. Applications handed in late will not be accepted.
- 4). 2 letters of recommendation (1 content teacher minimum) 1 outside person (not a parent).
- 5). Absolutely NO discipline record. You must have a clean school record for 6th, and 7th grade and maintained once accepted in to NJHS.

Explanation of Tenets:

Service - This quality is defined through the voluntary contributions made by a student to the school or community, done without compensation and with a positive, courteous, and enthusiastic spirit.

Leadership - Student leaders are those who are resourceful, good problem solvers, promoters of school activities, idea-contributors, dependable, and persons who exemplify positive attitudes about life. Leadership experiences can be drawn from school or community activities while working with or for others.

Character - The student of good character upholds principles of morality and ethics, is cooperative, demonstrates high standards of honesty and reliability, shows courtesy, concern, and respect for others, and generally maintains a good and clean lifestyle.

Citizenship - The student who demonstrates citizenship understands the importance of civic involvement, has a high regard for freedom, justice, and democracy, and demonstrates mature participation and responsibility through involvement with such activities as scouting, community organizations, and school clubs.