

Criteria For NJHS

Academics

- Students must have **at least a 90% overall GPA** at the end of Quarter 3.

School Service/Co-Curricular Activities

- Students must participate in **two school activities** (clubs, sports, student government) OR **one school activity and one outside activity** during the school year in which they apply.

Community Service

- Students must complete a minimum of **15 hours of community service** within the school year they apply. Summer hours count as long as they are from the most recent calendar year.
- The 15 hour requirement may be fulfilled through participation in one organization over a period of time, or through several different events/groups where the accumulated time equals fifteen hours over the course of three quarters.
- Activities that **WILL NOT be counted**:
 - Babysitting (private/family)
 - Working for a family or friend's business
 - Simply donating money or goods
 - Completing home chores
 - Caring for a neighborhood pet
 - Shoveling snow in neighborhood driveways
 - Participating in events for which the student received payment
 - Participating in any activity that is not done through or for a specific organization
- Activities that **WILL** be counted:
 - Middle Country Library Volunteer Programs
 - Cleaning a park
 - Collecting items for charity such as clothes, food, toys, or furniture
 - Helping the elderly in nursing homes/hospitals
 - Helping the local fire or police service
 - Volunteering at a local library
 - Volunteering in local churches
 - Volunteering at a local charity event
 - Tutoring
 - Volunteering at a food pantry/shelter(s)
 - Volunteering at an Animal Rescue/Shelter
 - Holiday decorating around your neighborhood
 - Recycling project
 - Volunteer in Main Office/Wing Office/Nurse's Office/Attendance Office

The application process will open immediately at the end of the 3rd quarter. Applications will be available in the Guidance Office in March.