SCMS National Junior Honor Society Application

\*\*Application Deadline is Monday, 7 September 2020\*\*

Candidate Name (first and last):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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| National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) looks for students who show qualities of scholarship, character, citizenship, leadership, and service, so members are expected to demonstrate and develop these virtues.  Members of NJHS are expected to be well-rounded students. Therefore, no student will be excluded from membership for weakness in areas of character, citizenship, leadership, or service; rather, applications will be accepted on a holistic basis. However, no student will be accepted with less than a 3.5 cumulative GPA. |

**I. Scholarship**

Members must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5. Calculate your GPA for 6th and 7th grade.

6th Grade GPA: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 7th Grade GPA: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**II. Character and Citizenship**

Your character is the combination of qualities that distinguishes you from another person. It is your combined moral and ethical make-up. Good citizenship encompasses your behavior which includes your duties, rights, and privileges as a citizen of St. Cloud Middle School. Teacher recommendation forms and the personal response will speak to the character and citizenship of applicants.

**III. Leadership**

NJHS tries to develop good leaders. Please list activities in which you have participated and note any major accomplishments in each. (Include sports teams, scouting, clubs, classroom leadership roles, etc.)

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| **Activity** | **6th** | **7th** | **Major Accomplishments** |
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**IV. Service**

Service to the community is the major activity of NJHS. List any service activities you have done with school, church, family, or community groups while in middle school.

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| **Service Activity** | **6th** | **7th** | **Approximate Hours Spent** |
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**V. Personal Response**

**Directions: Please attach a paragraph in which you explain your interest in NJHS. This response should show you as a well-rounded student. Be sure your first and last name is at the top right hand corner of the paper.**

Please address the following in your response:

1. Explain why you think you would be a good representative for the National Junior Honor Society.

2. If chosen, how do you feel you could make our National Junior Honor Society a better organization?

3. Explain what service you would like the NJHS to be involved in while you are a member. Be realistic and specific, keeping our community in mind.

4. How will you intend to make service a part of your life?

**VI. Recommendation Form.**

Directions: Find at least one staff member to complete a recommendation form for you. Provide them a copy of the form with your name on it and they will turn it in. You may get as many recommendations filled out as you like.

Name of Teacher(s) recommending you: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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| **In order to be eligible for membership, you must be present at the Induction Ceremony on**  **Thursday, 17 September 2020, during your timeslot (timeslots will begin at 6pm)** |

**Signatures:**

-I attest that the information presented in this application is complete and accurate.

-I understand that completing this form does not guarantee selection to the National Junior Honor Society. I must meet all criteria and have every aspect of this application completed and turned in by the application deadline, in order to be considered.

-I understand that, if selected, I must be present at the Induction Ceremony in order to be an NJHS member.

- I will maintain good citizenship both on and off campus as a member of NJHS.

-I will maintain a minimum of a 3.5 grade point average as a member of NJHS. If not, I will be placed on probation until the next grade report, after which I will be either fully reinstated or excluded from membership.

-I will attend all monthly meetings and participate in at least one NJHS service activity outside of school per year.

-If I fail to fulfill any of these obligations, I understand that my membership is subject to probation or dismissal.

**Student Signature:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

*I have read the information provided by my son/daughter on this form and can verify that is it true, accurate, and complete*

**Parent Signature:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Completed applications should be turned in to Mrs. Wybiral Room 228 or digitally.**

**National Junior Honor Society of St. Cloud Middle School Recommendation Form**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(first name and last name) is a candidate for the National Junior Honor Society of St. Cloud Middle School. According to the NJHS charter, members must show distinction in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service and character. The candidate is requesting that you, based on your experience with this student, provide a rating in these areas.

\*\*Please complete the following and return this form **directly** to Mrs. Wybiral by 7 September 2020\*\*

Please use the following criteria to rate the student in each of the following categories.

**1= problem area/unreliable 3=average 5=exceptional NA=not applicable/not sure**

**DEPENDABLILITY:**  1 2 3 4 5 NA

Completes work on time, on time to class, meets expectations & follows through

**PARTICIPATION:** 1 2 3 4 5 NA

Positive in class, helps others, allows others to express their ideas, and works well within peer groups.

**COMPATIBILITY:** 1 2 3 4 5 NA

Accepts others’ differences, mediates, flexible with change, is understanding.

**INTEGRITY:** 1 2 3 4 5 NA

Academically honest, is not easily swayed by the group, accepting of setbacks, is trustworthy.

**ATTITUDE:** 1 2 3 4 5 NA

Positive, productive attitude, tries to motivate others, works through problems

**LEADERSHIP:** 1 2 3 4 5 NA

Takes initiative, helps others become leaders, sacrifices his/her needs for the needs of the group, displays

self-confidence, displays decision-making techniques, responsible

**SERVICE:** 1 2 3 4 5 NA

Helps others, volunteers time for those in need, active and dependable, contributes to the group.

How long have you known this candidate? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Is there any other information that would help the council consider membership for this student?

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**This recommendation form should not be shown to the student and should be returned directly to Mrs. Wybiral.**