



Colorado Middle School NJHS Selection Procedure Description

The National Junior Honor Society chapter of Colorado Middle School is a duly chartered and affiliated chapter of this prestigious national organization. Membership is open to those students who meet the required standards in five areas of evaluation: scholarship, service, leadership, character, and citizenship. Students must have attended Colorado Middle School for a minimum of one semester of their seventh grade year (or prior semester of time period being evaluated by) in order to be eligible for the selection process. Students are selected for membership by majority vote of a principal approved faculty council, which bestows this honor upon qualified students on behalf of the faculty of our school annually..

Students new to the district will be reviewed after the winter break and follow the same selection process followed by a revised induction, if meeting the criterion, in January.

Students in grade eight are eligible for membership. For the scholarship criterion, a student must have a cumulative GPA of 90 or better on a 100 scale for their seventh grade year (Fall inductions) plus 8th grade semester (Spring inductions). Each year those students who meet this criterion are invited to complete a Candidate Form that provides the faculty council with information regarding the candidate's leadership and service. (*NOTE: 2021-22 year, 7th graders must have a cumulative GPA of 90 or better for their 6th grade semesters, plus first semester of 7th-special circumstances due to COVID related missed year of participation of an active NJHS membership during 2020-2021 school year.)

To evaluate a candidate's character, the faculty council uses two forms of input. First, school disciplinary records are reviewed. Second, members of the faculty are solicited for input regarding their professional reflections on a candidate's service activities, character, and leadership.

Any solicited faculty input and all Candidate Forms are carefully reviewed by the faculty council to determine membership. A majority vote of the council is necessary for selection. Candidates are notified regarding selection according to a predetermined schedule.

Following notification, a formal induction ceremony is held at the school to recognize all the newly selected members. Once inducted, new members are required to maintain the same level of performance (or better) in all four criteria that led to their selection.

Colorado Middle School National Junior Honor Society Officers will be nominated for officer positions at the first official meeting of the newly inducted members, with elections to follow and officers will hold office during their 8th grade membership year.