

Welcome

Vineland Public Charter
Junior High School

National Junior Honor Society
Informational Meeting
April 4, 2017

What is NJHS?

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- ❖ NJHS is national program designed to recognize students who have academic success, demonstrate positive behaviors, qualities of a strong leader, and are active citizens in their school and home communities.

Nomination Requirements

- ❖ Students maintained Honor Roll or Principal's List for the first and second marking periods of the 2016-2017 school year.
- ❖ Students maintained positive behavioral standing throughout the school year.
 - No Disciplinary Write Ups

Induction Requirements

- ❖ Completed application returned by **May 1, 2017**.
- ❖ Students must maintain an 85 average or Principal's List status for the duration of the 2016-2017 school year.
- ❖ Students must maintain positive behavioral standing throughout the entire school year (no discipline write ups).
- ❖ Students must participate in at least 3 Community or School Service opportunities.
- ❖ Students must demonstrate the 5 Character Pillars of NJHS.

Community and School Service

- ❖ NJHS members must show good citizenship by volunteering within the school and community (to maintain NJHS status, students *must* participate in 25 hours of community service).
- ❖ VPCS will organize events in which students may participate to get some of their community hours. Students are encouraged to complete community service outside of school, as well.
- ❖ Students are encouraged to participate in a leadership role within the community.

Character Pillars of NJHS

Students are required to uphold the
5 Character Pillars:

- Scholarship
- Leadership
- Service
- Citizenship
- Character

SCHOLARSHIP

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The student who achieves scholarship:

- Is a sixth, seventh, eighth, or ninth grader who has proven him/herself academically by maintaining an 85, or better, in all middle school classes.

LEADERSHIP

The student who exercises leadership:

- Is resourceful in proposing new problems, applying principles, and making suggestions.
- Demonstrates leadership in promoting school activities and influences peers to uphold school ideals.
- Contributes ideas that improve the civic life of the school and demonstrates academic initiative.
- Is able to delegate responsibilities and exemplifies a positive attitude while inspiring positive behaviors in others.
- Successfully holds school offices or positions of responsibility and is reliable and dependable without complaints.
- Demonstrates leadership in the classroom and in school activities, as well as being thoroughly dependable inside and outside of school.

SERVICE

The student who serves:

- Is willing to uphold scholarship and maintain a loyal school attitude.
- May participate in outside activities: Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, 4H, church groups, volunteer services for the aged, poor, or disadvantaged, family duties, etc.
- Volunteers dependable and well-organized assistance, is gladly available, and is willing to sacrifice to offer assistance.
- Works well with others, and is willing to take on and fulfill responsibilities.
- Is willing to represent the class or school in inter-class and/or inter-scholastic competition.
- Does committee and school work willingly and is courteous in assisting school visitors, teachers, and students.

CITIZENSHIP

The student who demonstrates citizenship:

- Understands the importance of civic involvement.
- Has a high regard for freedom, justice, and respects the American form of government.
- Demonstrates mature participation and responsibility through involvement with such activities as scouting, community organizations, and school clubs.

CHARACTER

The student of character:

- Takes criticism willingly and accepts recommendations graciously.
- Constantly exemplifies desirable qualities of personality (cheerfulness, friendliness, poise, stability).
- Upholds principles of morality and ethics.
- Cooperates by complying with school regulations concerning property, programs, office, halls, etc.
- Demonstrates the highest standards of honesty, reliability, courtesy, concern and respect for others.
- Observes instructions and rules, and practices punctuality and consistency both inside and outside of the classroom.
- Has sustained attention as shown by perseverance and application to studies.
- Manifests truthfulness in acknowledging obedience to rules, avoiding cheating in school work, and showing unwillingness to profit by the mistakes of others.
- Actively helps to rid the school of bad influences.

After Induction

- ❖ In order to maintain their eligibility students must do the following:
 - Students will be expected to maintain an 85 grade average in all subjects throughout the next school year.
 - Students will be expected to stay in positive behavioral standing throughout the next school year (no disciplinary write ups).
 - Students will be required to complete and record 25 hours of school and/or community service.
 - Students will be required to attend NJHS meetings.
 - If students fail to maintain these requirements, they will have to go before the Faculty Council.

Important Dates

- ❖ **Student Application Deadline: May 1, 2017**
 - All parts of the application are due (in hard copy form) to a NJHS advisor, committee member, or administrator.
- ❖ **Induction Ceremony: June 1, 2017**
 - Ceremony will be held at 6:00 PM.

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