



Campbell Christian Junior High
National Junior Honor Society



Dear Student,

We would like to congratulate you on your outstanding academic performance. Based on your academic performance and character since the beginning of this school year, you are eligible to apply for membership in the Campbell Christian Junior High Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society. Membership in the NJHS is one of the highest honors that can be awarded to a student. This is an opportunity to be a part of a nationally recognized service organization and celebrate your academic accomplishments with like-minded individuals.

Here are some reasons to join the NJHS

Meet New People: Joining any club provides a great opportunity for meeting new people, but joining an honor society allows you to meet other dedicated students who likely share your academic goals. Not only can honor societies help you form friendships, but they can also introduce you to people who can motivate you to perform at your best in all of your academic endeavors.

Improve Your Resume: Though a high GPA can speak for itself, joining an honor society can boost your academic resume even further. Schools often look for applicants who have shown involvement in extracurricular activities, so joining an honor society helps bolster your appeal.

Receive Benefits: In exchange for a membership fee, many honor societies offer exclusive benefits to their members, including access to job banks, scholarships and study abroad opportunities. Many honor societies also offer lifetime membership, which often includes permanent access to job banks and other member benefits.

Network With Leaders: Networking with local, national and even international leaders can give you a measurable head start when you embark on your high school and college applications. While most colleges will offer job fairs and other networking opportunities to all students, honor societies often provide additional networking opportunities specifically for their members. By attending networking events held by honor societies, leaders and employers will instantly recognize that you are a dedicated student, even before they review your resume.

Celebrate Your Accomplishments: Having put forth the time and effort to earn a high GPA (3.6), why not recognize your own accomplishments by becoming an honor society member? Receiving your honor society acceptance letter and membership certificate should be a rewarding and memorable experience that you can fondly remember for years to come.

Our chapter strives to give practical meaning to the Society's standards of scholarship, leadership, service, citizenship, and character. These five ideals are considered as the basis for your selection as well as a fundamental part of our chapter activities. The National Junior Honor Society strives to recognize the total student—one who excels in all these areas. No student is inducted simply because of a high academic average. Please note that though you are eligible to apply, you have not been accepted into the organization yet. Applications must be reviewed by the NJHS Faculty Council to determine acceptance of new members.

This is the first step in your application process to be inducted as a member of the National Junior Honor Society. To be considered for membership, you must complete the following. **Pay careful attention to instructions and deadlines.** We have included a Candidate Selection Rubric on how you will be evaluated.

Student Activity Information Form. This form is two pages long and must be printed neatly in blue or black ink. We recommend that you make a copy of this form before you begin as you might make a mistake on the first try.

Letter of Recommendation. This must be a **one-page letter (250 words maximum)** from an adult in the community who knows you well. The letter must include the person's phone number and must be signed. This letter cannot be written by a Campbell Christian School staff member or one of your relatives. When requesting your letter, we recommend you ask the person to evaluate you on the five traits of the NJHS: character, scholarship, leadership, service, and citizenship.

Subjective Letter. This letter must be written by the student in business letter format. This is a **one-page letter (250 words maximum)** in which you show how you currently represent the characteristics of the NJHS—character, scholarship, leadership, service, and citizenship--and how you can use these qualities to contribute to the overall success of the organization. Write neatly, it may not be typed.

Teacher Evaluations/Teacher Signature Form. You must have three teachers complete a teacher evaluation form. Please allow your teachers time to complete this evaluation by giving it to them as soon as possible. The last day to give evaluation forms to your teachers is, **Wednesday, January 23rd, 2019**. Don't procrastinate! **Fill in any blanks on the forms before handing them out.** As you give each teacher your evaluation, ask him or her to sign and date the appropriate box on the Teacher Signature Form verifying that they've received it. Teachers will submit the recommendation forms directly to us, so you will **not** include them in the packet you turn in to us; however, you will include the Teacher Signature Form in your packet. An average of the three evaluation scores will determine your points earned for this category.

Keep all completed application materials in the envelopes you've received. You will turn in all your paperwork together. Your complete file is due to the School Office on or before, **Wednesday, January 30th, 2019**. **You will be given only one packet.** Should you lose your packet, electronic copies may be found on the Campbell Christian School's website (www.campbellchristian.org/academics/junior-high).

Make sure you follow all directions exactly and pay close attention to deadlines. If you do not turn in all pieces by these dates, you will not be considered for membership. We wish you success in this and all your endeavors.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Helen Chang

Advisor, Campbell Christian Junior High National Junior Honor Society



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Campbell Christian Junior High National Junior Honor Society Candidate Packet (2018-2019)

If you are chosen to be inducted as a member of the Campbell Christian Junior High Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society, you must maintain the standards utilized for your selection. Please be aware that you:

- **Must maintain a cumulative, overall Junior High GPA 3.6 or above and have no failing final grades in any courses**
- Must have been enrolled for at least one semester
- Must abide by the Chapter's bylaws noted on the Campbell Christian School website
- Demonstrate sound and effective leadership, admirable citizenship, and trustworthy character at Campbell Christian School and in the community
- Pay the chapter dues of \$20.00 within 30 days of the induction ceremony
- Must arrange for transportation and participate in the NJHS Chapter community service projects in the Santa Clara County area

Dismissal Procedures:

A student in the NJHS:

- May be dismissed from the chapter for failing to complete and to provide documentation of participation in at least one service project each semester
- May be placed on probation for disciplinary reasons as defined by the Campbell Christian Student Handbook
- May be placed on probation due to three unexcused absences from the NJHS meetings or service projects. An excuse note must be provided to advisor for consideration within five days of absence
- May be dismissed from the chapter for committing any offense classified as worthy of suspension according to the Campbell Christian Student Handbook
- May be dismissed from the chapter due to any documented incident of cheating and/or plagiarism
- May be dismissed from the chapter by violating the Campbell Christian Schools Technology Acceptable Use Policy
- Will be dismissed from the chapter due to being expelled from school

Dismissal from the National Junior Honor Society is permanent, but may be appealed.

If you have any questions about the obligations of being a NJHS member or about the application process, please see one of the NJHS advisors or your principal.

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Candidate Selection Rubric

Student Name

Student Activity Sheet

At least one school activity each year (5 th , 6 th & 7 th grade) Examples: athletics, musicals, concerts, clubs, etc...	5 points
At least one community activity each year (5 th , 6 th & 7 th grade) Includes activities outside of school	5 points
Additional activity listed in any of the three areas	5 points
Total Points Possible	15 points

Subjective Letter

Correct business letter format is used (one page with maximum 250 words)	5 points
Explain how you currently represent the characteristics of the NJHS (1 point for each characteristic)	5 points
Explain how you can use your qualities to contribute to the NJHS	5 points
Overall quality of writing	5 points
Total Points Possible	20 points

Letter of Recommendation

Total Points Possible	5 points
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Teacher Evaluations

Total Points Possible	25 points
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Citizenship

- No violations	10 points
- 1 minor violation Examples: failed locker check, more than 3 tardies, more than 2 dress code violations	5 points
- 2 minor violations (locker checks, excessive tardiness, dress code violation) Examples: failed locker check, more than 3 tardies, more than 2 dress code violations	0 points
Total Points Possible	10 points

*You must score at least 65 points and be approved by the Faculty Council to be selected for initiation into the NJHS.

II. Community Activities:

- A. List any activities in which you participate outside of school. You may include church groups, clubs such as Boys or Girls Club, Boy or Girl Scouts, volunteer activities such as collecting money for charity, piano, gymnastics, dance, music groups, tutoring, etc.
- B. Mark the year in which you participated in these activities.

Community Activity	5th Grade	6th Grade	7th Grade

III. Recognition and Awards:

- A. List any honors or awards that you have received which would support your bid to be selected for membership in the National Junior Honor Society. Examples include, but are not limited to: Honor Roll, Principal's list, summer reading participation, sports' awards, contest winner, church award, scouting award, etc.
- B. Indicate the year in which you received the award and tell the group or activity with which you were involved.

Type of Honor or Award	Group or Activity	5th Grade	6th Grade	7th Grade

By my signature, I am representing that the information presented here is complete and accurate. I understand that completing this form does not guarantee selection to the NJHS.

Student Signature

Date

I have read the information provided by my child on this form and can verify that it is true, accurate, and complete in its presentation.

Parent Signature

Date



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Dear NJHS Candidate,

As you give each teacher your evaluation form, ask him or her to sign and date the appropriate boxes. This will verify they received your evaluation on time. Fill in the Class & Teacher column before asking your teacher to sign and date.

Prospective Student Member's Name: _____

TEACHER SIGNATURE FORM

Teacher Name	Date Received	Teacher Signature
1.		
2.		
3.		



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TEACHER EVALUATION

Teacher: _____ **Class:** _____

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1: Poor 2: Fair, Below Average 3: Satisfactory, Average 4: Above Average 5: Excellent

CHARACTER	1	2	3	4	5
Displays an understanding of right/wrong					
Makes appropriate choices					
Treats others with respect					

SCHOLARSHIP	1	2	3	4	5
Displays academic effort					
Appreciates value of education					
Maintains high expectations of self					

LEADERSHIP	1	2	3	4	5
Displays actions of role model					
Leads by example					
Promotes school activities					

SERVICE	1	2	3	4	5
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Understands value of serving others					

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