**Summer Creek Middle School**

**National Junior Honor Society**

**Constitution and Bylaws**

**Selection:**

o Selection for membership is determined by 3 Faculty votes and is

 determined based upon outstanding scholarship, character, service, and

 leadership.

o Membership is limited to members of the eighth grade class. Seventh

 graders will be considered for membership during their spring semester.

o The scholastic requirement for membership is a grade point average of at

 least a 90.00 cumulative GPA.

o Eligible candidates shall be evaluated by the Faculty on the basis

 of Character, Service, and Leadership as evidenced.

o A National Junior Honor Society member who transfers from another

 school and brings a letter from the former principal or school advisor shall

 automatically be accepted as a member of the Summer Creek Middle

 School Chapter in accordance with the National Junior Honor Society

 Constitution.

**Active Membership**

o Active members shall pay annual dues (not to exceed $15) as set by the

 Adviser at the time of the induction. Final decision on dues rests with the

 campus administrator.

o All active members must attend regularly scheduled meeting as well as

 special meetings as designated by the Advisor.

o All active members are expected to check the NJHS bulletin board on a

regular basis. Schedules, announcements, etc. will be posted there or through announcements.

o All members must regularly participate in designated community project(s).

o All members should participate in fund-raising, community service

 projects, collection drives, and other NJHS activities.

o All active members must participate in at least two community service

 projects during the school year. Hours are to be documented on the

 appropriate form and turned in to the adviser after the assignment has been

 fulfilled.

o Any member who misses a meeting without notifying the Advisor will be placed on probation.

o Excused absences may be granted from activities by the chapter adviser only.

**Service Projects**

o At least one project must be open to participation by the entire membership.

o The chapter will provide a variety of service activities to fulfill the

 requirements of the NJHS constitution.

o All projects must be pre-approved by the adviser to receive service points.

o Mandatory projects require the approval of the Adviser.

o When designating a project as mandatory, an alternate activity will be

 considered for those members, deemed by the Adviser, as having a valid excuse.

**Probation**

o Failure to maintain membership standards, which include but are not

 limited to meeting attendance requirements, timely completion and

 submission of service hours, and participation in mandatory activities, will

 result in probation of the member for one six weeks grading period.

o If the member complies with all membership standards during the next

 six weeks grading period, he/she will automatically be returned to active

 status. **A member is only allowed to be on probation one time**.

o During the probationary period, if the member does not meet these

 standards, he/she will be subject to dismissal.

o Members who do not maintain a 90.00 cumulative GPA will automatically

 be placed on probation. To be considered for reactivation they will need

 to improve their GPA status to a 90.00 or higher within the next six

 weeks’ grading period otherwise he/she will be subject to dismissal.

o Any member receiving 2 or more office referrals during membership

 period may be dismissed from NJHS.

o If a member is placed on probation, then he/she is not allowed to wear

 anything that signifies they belong to NJHS.

o Any member placed in ISS may be placed on probation.

**Dismissal**

A member may by dismissed from the Summer Creek Middle School National Junior

Honor Society for:

o Failure to maintain the standards for selection or for failure to correct a

 probationary designation within one grading period.

o Flagrant violations of the school rules or civil law.

o Receiving 2 or more office referrals during membership period.

o Being assigned to OSS during membership period.

**Attitude**

All NJHS members are:

o Expected to have a respectful relationship with all members of the school staff,

 the principal, and other students.

o Encouraged to be active in other organizations.

o Expected to be supportive of all school activities including but not limited to

 athletic events, concerts and performances, dress-up days, pep-rallies, and other

 special events.

**There are many benefits to being selected to be in the Summer Creek Middle**

**School National Junior Honor Society. Some of the benefits include:**

o Membership in a nationally recognized Honor Society

o Local recognition for outstanding achievement in Scholarship, Leadership,

 Service, and Character

o Chapter activities that provide students with opportunities to cultivate

 those ideals within themselves, their school, and their community

o Leadership training opportunities

o Programs that recognize students for their Leadership and Scholarship achievements

o Preparation for National Honor Society at the High School level (Please

 note that acceptance and/or participation in the Summer Creek Middle

 School National Junior Honor Society does not guarantee selection for

 National Honor Society at the High School level.)