

# **NJHS Application 2015-2016**

## **OLD DOMINION CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY**

Election into the National Junior Honor Society represents the highest honor and trust that can be bestowed upon a student in the seventh and eighth grade of middle school. Membership, not selection, continues into ninth grade. It is the recognition of students with outstanding SCHOLARSHIP, LEADERSHIP, CHARACTER, CITIZENSHIP, and SERVICE. Membership in the society is indicative that the student has achieved and is demonstrating and promoting all of these qualities, and is exerting an effort to improve conditions in the school and community. Meeting the grade point average requirement is one of many criteria for acceptance into the National Junior Honor Society. Evidence that you meet the qualifications of LEADERSHIP, CHARACTER, CITIZENSHIP and SERVICE requirements are necessary to be eligible for membership.

### ***Membership***

Selection for membership is by a faculty review of applicants and is based on outstanding scholarship, citizenship, character, leadership, and service. Once selected, members have the responsibility to continue to demonstrate these qualities. Members who resign or are dismissed are no longer eligible for membership or its benefits and they may not reapply for membership.

### ***Selection of Members***

- 1) To be eligible for membership the candidate must be a member of the seventh or eighth grade middle school. Candidates must have been in attendance at the school for the equivalent of one semester.
- 2) The selection of members to the chapter shall be by a majority vote of the faculty council.
- 3) All faculty and staff will review applicants' names. Students who do not promote service, leadership, citizenship, and character in the classroom will not be considered for membership.

### ***Scholarship Requirements:***

All applicants must have a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.5.

### ***Service Requirements:***

All applicants are required to have documented and verified community service hours.

### ***Leadership and Character Requirements:***

Students will be asked to detail their leadership experiences while attending Quantico Middle/High School or any other high school they have attended.

### ***Essay***

All applicants will be required to submit one essay, choosing to discuss either leadership or character. Any honor code violations during enrollment at Quantico Middle/High School may impact your application for membership.

### ***Letter of Recommendation:***

Students are required to include a letter of recommendation from an adult who can speak to the pillars of character, leadership, citizenship, and service. Directions are below.

### **Application Deadline**

**All applications must be turned in no later than 3:00 pm on Tuesday, Feb. 23rd to Ms. Arcuni. (Room 210)**

Applications will not be accepted unless the following are turned in completed at the same time:

- 1) ***ALL forms completely filled out***
- 2) ***ALL appropriate signatures***
- 3) ***Essay***
- 4) ***Letter of Recommendation (This may not be completed by a family member.)***

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**Student Activity Information Form**

Directions: Please complete all sections. (Please type or print.) Do not be modest. Every bit of information can be used by the Faculty Council to assist with the selection process. Please remember that completion of this form **does not** guarantee selection.

You may also complete and print these National Junior Honor Society forms on the Quantico website: [http://www.am.dodea.edu/ny\\_va/quantico/qmhs/Studentinfo/clubPages/nHsAndJnHs.html](http://www.am.dodea.edu/ny_va/quantico/qmhs/Studentinfo/clubPages/nHsAndJnHs.html)

**I. Administrative Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Names and mailing address of parents:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Please include appropriate military title, if applicable.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Street address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City, state, zip code)

Home telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Student email: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent email: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been disciplined as a member of an extracurricular activity or sport?

\_\_\_\_\_

**III. Leadership Positions**







## VI. Extracurricular and Community Activities

List all activities in which you have participated during middle school. Include clubs, teams, musical groups, etc. You may include things from previous schools as long as it can be verified.

Also list other community activities in which you have participated For example: church groups, clubs sponsored outside the school, Boy or Girl Scouts, or community art endeavors.

Do not repeat participation already listed above. List all major accomplishments in each.

Community Activity	Year			Hours/Week	Major Accomplishments	Signature of Adult Sponsor
	6	7	8			

I certify that the information presented here is accurate and understand that completing this form **does not guarantee** selection to NJHS.

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Student Signature

Date

Sponsor's /Parent's signature

Letter of Reference for the National Junior Honor Society

## National Junior Honor Society

*Quantico Middle High School*

***The purpose of the National Junior Honor Society is to create enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership, and to develop character in the student.***

Membership in the Quantico National Junior Honor Society is an honor bestowed upon a student. Selection for membership is by a faculty council and is based on ***outstanding scholarship, character, leadership, citizenship, and service***. Once selected, members have the responsibility to continue to demonstrate these qualities.

### ***Eligibility:***

The student must be a seventh or eighth grade student.

The student must have attended Quantico Middle High School for at least one semester.

The student must have a cumulative scholastic average of 3.5 or better.

The student must demonstrate outstanding service, leadership, citizenship, and character.

### **Instructions for the Recommender:**

Please help us evaluate the student in the areas of character, leadership, or service. After completing this form

- seal it in an envelope
- sign over the sealed flap
- return it to the student

The applicant must submit all documents by Tuesday, Feb. 23rd at 3PM. **No late applications can or will be accepted.**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommender's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

In what context have you known the applicant?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

On a separate sheet of paper, please describe how the student exhibits the quality of SERVICE, LEADERSHIP, CITIZENSHIP, or CHARACTER in your letter of reference.

**National Junior Honor  
Society Essay**  
Due with your information packet,  
NLT Tuesday, Feb. 23rd, 2016.

**Essay Format:**

Typed in 14-16 font

1 inch margin all the way around

Single spaced lines but **DOUBLE** space in between paragraphs

Blocked, no indents

Five paragraphs, 4-6 sentences per paragraph.

Support your ideas with examples whenever possible.

Heading should include a good title and your name.

**Paragraphs:**

Open your entire essay with a quote-something that represents you or encompasses who you are. Example: "There is no place like home." – Wizard of Oz. The rest of the opening paragraph should also introduce who you are with one or two sentences describing **WHY** you want to be part of the NJHS.

A paragraph on what leadership is and how you exemplify it and why it is important. Use examples when possible.

A paragraph on what service is and how you exemplify it and why it is important. Use examples when possible.

A paragraph on what character is and how you exemplify it and why it is important. Use examples when possible.

Conclusion. Do not repeat your opening paragraph. This should be short and simple and memorable.