

# Heritage Middle School



## *National Junior Honor Society*



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### **2017-2018 Criteria:**

- **3.75 Cumulative GPA or Higher**
- At least 1 “**Co-Curricular Activity**” within the current school year; club, team etc. (8<sup>th</sup> grade)
- At least 1 “**Leadership Position**” (7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup>)
- At least 2 “**Service Activities**” completed with an established group; inside or outside of school; 5 total hours (7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup>)
- At least 2 “**Community Activities**” individually completed; 3 total hours (7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup>)
- At least 2 “**Work Experiences, Recognitions, or Awards**” (7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup>)

**Students meeting the above criteria may be excluded for the following reasons:**

- Questionable character
- Disciplinary reasons (Wednesday/Saturday schools & detentions)
- Attendance issues (excessive/unexcused absences)
- Failure to complete/correctly complete all portions of application
- Any other reason deemed unacceptable within the exemplary code of the National Junior Honor Society

**Note: NJHS is offered only to 8<sup>th</sup> graders at Heritage. 7<sup>th</sup> graders should begin accumulating the above qualifications to apply their 8<sup>th</sup> grade year.**

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## *National Junior Honor Society Student Application*

**Directions:** All sections of this application must be completed. Do not be modest! Every piece of information can be used by the Faculty Council to assist in the selection process. You may not use your involvement in an organization, group, or club more than once on this application. Completion of this form does not guarantee selection. This is an elite group & we expect a perfect application. Simply completing the minimum requirements may not grant you acceptance into the NJHS, we are looking for students who go above and beyond the minimum. Failure to complete this form correctly will result in your application being invalid and unable to be reviewed for membership.

Be sure to return this form, along with all the required signatures, to the main office by **FRIDAY, JANUARY 5<sup>TH</sup> at 2:50 pm**. Applications **will not** be accepted after this date and time. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

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

1. **Co-Curricular Activities:** at least 1 during current school year (8<sup>th</sup> grade) (clubs, teams, musical groups, etc....)

| Activity | Grade |
|----------|-------|
| 1. _____ | _____ |
| 2. _____ | _____ |
| 3. _____ | _____ |

2. **Leadership Positions:** at least 1 (elected or appointed positions in which you were directly responsible for directing or motivating others during your 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade year; positions can be held in school or in community) (Example: Soccer captain grade 7)

| Leadership Position                    | Grade | Group |
|--|-------|-------|
| 1. _____                               | _____ | _____ |
| <b>Describe Responsibilities</b> _____ |       |       |
| _____                                  |       |       |
| 2. _____                               | _____ | _____ |
| <b>Describe Responsibilities</b> _____ |       |       |
| _____                                  |       |       |

**3. Service Activities (completed with established group)** Must have a minimum of 5 total hours, inside or outside of school. (activities performed on behalf of others, not including family members, in which no compensation was given within your 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade year; adult supervisor must verify participation. This service activity may NOT be one already listed anywhere on your application.

| <b>In/Out of School Activity</b> | <b>Describe activity in detail</b> |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|

1. \_\_\_\_\_

**Hours:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Adult Signature (required; NOT a parent)** \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

**Hours:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Adult Signature (required; NOT a parent)** \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

**Hours:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Adult Signature (required; NOT a parent)** \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

**Hours:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Adult Signature (required; NOT a parent)** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL HOURS (must equal at least 5 hours)**

**4. Community Activities (individual):** Must have at least 2 (activities outside of school in which you individually participated for the betterment of your community within your 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade year. This service activity must be different from any other activities already listed on your application and cannot be affiliated with a school group, club etc. (Example: safety town volunteer 7<sup>th</sup> grade )

| <b>Activity</b> | <b>Describe activity in detail</b> |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|
|-----------------|------------------------------------|

1. \_\_\_\_\_

**Hours:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Adult Signature (required; NOT a parent)** \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

**Hours:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Adult Signature (required; NOT a parent)** \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

**Hours:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Adult Signature (required; NOT a parent)** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL HOURS (must equal at least 3 hours)**

**5. Work Experience, Recognitions, & Awards:** Must have at least 2 (list below any job experiences, honors, or recognitions that you received which support your bid for membership into NJHS. Work experience may be paid or volunteer)

|    | <b>Experience or Award</b> | <b>Describe Experience or Award in detail</b> | <b>Grade</b> |
|----|----------------------------|---|--------------|
| 1. | _____                      | _____   | _____        |
| 2. | _____                      | _____   | _____        |
| 3. | _____                      | _____   | _____        |

**6. Discipline:**

Have you received any disciplinary actions (7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>), including Wednesday/Saturday Schools, detentions, suspension? (circle one)

Yes                      No

**If yes, please explain in detail:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**7. Character:**

Your character plays a vital role of entry into NJHS. Please have 2 HMS teachers sign this from who you feel could speak on behalf of your character.

|    | <b>Teacher</b> | <b>Grade</b> | <b>Course</b> | <b>Signature</b> |
|----|----------------|--------------|---------------|------------------|
| 1. | _____          | _____        | _____         | _____            |
| 2. | _____          | _____        | _____         | _____            |

## 8. Extended Response:

Please complete the following extended response using **MLA format**. This must be at least one page typed (double spaced, 12 point font, times new roman) & attached to the application at time of submission. Be sure to use your **best** writing skills—this will be taken into consideration along with the rest of your application. Please be sure to proof read & edit before submission.

**Note: Failure to correctly format or follow directions for extended response will result in your application being invalid & may remove your application from review for membership.**

**PROMPT:** From all of the activities listed above, what have you gained as a person? What have you learned about yourself and others? What have you learned about the importance of service in your community & school? Be specific, referencing at least 2 specific examples of activities and/or service in your explanation.

## 9. Signatures:

### Student:

I have **personally completed** all portions of this application and I understand that completing this form **does not** guarantee selection into NJHS, and that the information presented here is complete and accurate.

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**Student Signature**

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**Date**

### Parent/Guardian:

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

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**Parent/Guardian Signature**

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**Date**

### \*\*Questions:

If you have questions about this application, the NJHS applicant (student) should speak with Mrs. Geoit and/or Ms Jasper. Please schedule a time to meet with us (not during class) and bring your application. Answering questions via email is difficult, since this application is quite intricate.