

National Junior Honor Society Parent/Student Meeting Notes

March 8, 2011 – 6:30 – 7:00 pm

I. Introduction of Co-Sponsors

- A. Vickey Brown – 8th Grade Team Leader, Advanced English Teacher
- B. Crissy Brooks – 8th Grade Advanced U.S. History Teacher

II. National Junior Honor Society – NMS Chapter

A. What is NJHS?

- 1. National Organization of honor students (students with cumulative GPA of 3.5 or better)
- 2. Primary goal – to lead your school and community through service
- 3. NJHS students must exhibit scholarship, leadership, and citizenship

B. Current NJHS Service Projects

- 1. Clothing Drive
- 2. Food Drive
- 3. Possible fundraiser for JDRF (Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund)

III. Application Process

A. Next Wednesday, after school, we (Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Brooks, & potential candidates) will meet assist with applications and preparations for the essay.

- 1. For the application, make a list of what the candidate had done from the end of 5th grade to now.
- 2. Goal is to have at least one item in each section of the application

IV. Selection Committee

A. Mrs. McClain will convene a group of NMS staff to go over the process

- 1. Staff will go over the entire application (Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Brooks will NOT be part of the committee)
- 2. Needs to show effort and thought (not a last minute effort)

FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions)

- 1. Have students been informed about how to complete the packet?
On Wednesday, March 16, 2011, there will be a meeting for candidates. They should meet in room 226 (Brooks' room). We will go over the packet, then
- 2. My child has done tutoring outside of school? Which category would that fit?
It could fit several categories. For example, Community Activities or School-related activities. Put it in the in the section which has the least amount of items.
- 3. What will happen when the students get accepted?
Current NJHS members plan an induction ceremony, with guest speakers and some form of entertainment. Parents will be invited to the ceremony