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NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY

Assalam Alaikum

Induction into the National Junior Honor Society is a privilege and not a right. Therefore, it cannot be granted automatically to any student. NJHS recognizes students around the country for the following four characteristics: Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Character. Academic performance represents only 25% of NJHS criteria. As such, students are encouraged to meet the following requirements in order to be considered by the NJHS Faculty Council for qualification and induction. The committee will review each application during the month of January.

Qualification Requirements for NJHS: (National Junior Honor Society for grades 8 and 9)

1. 3.25 GPA cumulative (8th grade: One semester- 9th grade: Three semesters).
2. 20 hours of community service. No more than half the hours may be completed at Universal. Community service sheet must be submitted by January 6th, 2010, the 2nd day after winter break. Absolutely **no extension** will be granted under any circumstance. Community service hours are considered for the period from January 1st, 2009 to January 1st, 2010.
3. Guidelines for community service hours :
 - a. Non-profit organizations (nursing homes, hospitals, libraries, food pantry, Chicago Food Depository, Zakat Foundation, masjid, schools, weekend schools, Sanad,.....).
 - b. Absolutely no community service hours will be accepted from private businesses or private clinics.
 - c. Form for community service is available at www.universalschool.org. No other forms will be accepted. Completed forms should be clean filled with pens; forms filled with pencils or have white out or any scratches are not acceptable.
4. No more than **3** detentions per semester: A Saturday detention due to tardies is equal to one regular detention. All other Saturday detentions equal two detentions.
5. Absolutely **no suspension**.

6. Active membership to **two extracurricular** activities/clubs inside or outside Universal School. Club membership must be verifiable with a signature from club advisor.
7. No probation entries will be granted.
8. Any students receive documented warning (**TMP: Temporary Modified Program- or detention**) from a teacher; he or she must score 90% on teacher's recommendation to be able to be inducted into NJHS.
9. **For current members of the NJHS, the requirements are the same plus the following items:**
 - a. Tutoring hours must be completed within the quarter. NJHS Faculty Council is not responsible for reminding NJHS members of their responsibilities and duties towards the NJHS.
 - b. Academic performance, discipline records, and tardiness will be checked on a quarterly basis.
 - c. NJHS members must not miss more than three meetings or service days. If they miss more than 3 they will be removed from NJHS. It is the responsibility of the student to keep up his/her status.
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NJHS induction ceremony will be held for new inductees only on Friday, March, 05 2010 at 4:00 pm.

NHS & NJHS Teacher Recommendation:

Please Rate the following students on the following criteria based on the rating scale below.

1= unacceptable 2= below average 3= average 4=good 5= very good

Name	Following school rules	Contributes to school in positive way	Contributes to peer group in a positive way	Respectful, fair, honest	Demonstrates Work ethics & academic integrity

**Jazzakum Allahu Khairan
Seida Khater,
NHS advisor**