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# National Junior Honor Society Application

Springboro Junior High School for School Year 2016-2017

\* Required

Membership Application

**What is your application number? \***

Applications without an assigned number will not be accepted.

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## Section 1



What qualities do members demonstrate?

Students selected for membership have shown excellence in the following areas:

**Scholarship:** Earned an accumulated grade percent average of 93% or higher during the first semester of seventh grade year.

**Service:** Gives time, effort and talent to help others, places the common good above self-interest, works willingly as part of a club, team, or activity, and serves to school or community without compensation.

**Leadership:** acts as a positive leader, takes a constructive part in classroom activities, and performs assignments efficiently and responsibly.

**Character:** Demonstrates high standards or reliability, fairness, tolerance and open-mindedness, acts courteously toward peers, faculty and staff, demonstrates positive qualities of attitude, is motivated and self-disciplined.

**Citizenship:** Cooperates willingly with school and community rules, demonstrates school pride and spirit, and demonstrates involvement with school, community and/or service organizations.

**Above, you will find a description of qualities which are demonstrated by members of the National Junior Honor Society. In this part of the application, you should briefly explain how you personally believe that you have exhibited these characteristics.**

**Scholarship:**

I have always excelled academically in whatever I do in school. I never give up, whether it's sports or academics. That means sometimes I'll spend many extra hours studying a subject while all my friends are playing. I have never gotten a "B" on a report card and I don't plan to even if it means I have to skip fun activities so I can prepare for a test. School doesn't necessarily come easy to me but I work hard in it making sure I get very good grades. In fact, I was only identified gifted in two subjects in 6th grade, but Mr. Franks placed me in all gifted classes because of my work ethic. One strategy that I use is to study everyday even when I do not have homework or a test because it helps me be better prepared for the next day of school and future tests. I take school very seriously because I know it will impact my future.

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### Service

I've done many things that involve in service. Since I'm so active in sports most of my activity revolves around them. I never pass on the opportunity to volunteer at Miracle Field to help disabled kids play baseball. It always makes me grateful for the abilities that I have been given. Since lacrosse is my main sport, I give back by helping coach 1st and 2nd graders, assisting with youth tryouts, and helping neighborhood kids learn how to play the game of lacrosse. I also use my lacrosse skills by stringing heads for the coaches sticks and for kids who cannot afford paying for their heads to be restrung.

I do other volunteering that is not related to sports. I was in student council in the 5th grades and we did many different service projects. Additionally, for the last two years, I have worked in the nursery at Church and helped hand out food at our Church's food bank.

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### Leadership

Leadership is very important to me. I'm a leader in whatever I do, whether if it's in sports or in the classroom. I understand that a leader must lead by example so that is why I always try my best and be kind to everyone. I want to be a role-model. In sports, I will encourage everyone when we're losing or winning and try to keep a positive attitude throughout the game no matter the situation. I spend many hours studying the game of lacrosse so I can help lead my team on and off the field. In the classroom, I lead by example by always doing my homework, getting good grades, leading in group projects, and being respectful to my teachers. I think leadership is a great part of me and I do a fantastic job at it!

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### Character

Character is something everyone possesses. Everyone has a different character, especially me! I'm very outgoing and very rarely am I shy. That is why I am an ambitious leader. I strive for greatness every single day and I won't let anything get in my way. I always try to behave and do the right thing. I'm very kind and respectful to all kids in school. I am friends with kids who play sports, ones who do not, smart kids, and ones who struggle. I know everyone has different talents and it is okay to be friends with kids who are not like me. I know sometimes I am different from everybody else, but that is okay because I don't like trying to be somebody other than who I really am. Sometimes I may mess up, but that doesn't mean that I will quit. In life, you won't get anywhere without trying, and that is sort of my motto.

In 5th grade I received student of the year in my class, in 6th grade I received student of the month and student of the year in gym, and so far in 7th grade I have received two Panther Paws. I would not have received all these awards without being a person with excellent character.

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### Citizenship

I believe I am a good citizen because I am active in school and sports. I get good grades and do not get in trouble in or out of school. I show support for my school by attending planned events and I encourage my friends by watching their sports or other activities. Finally, I give back to my community by volunteering on a regular basis.

## Section 2

Complete all parts of this section. Do not be modest, but be completely honest. All information helps the faculty council in the selection process. The following is a list that may help you understand what types of activities, positions and experiences should be included on this application. Use it to help remind yourself of how involved you are in your school and community. This is NOT a complete list, but a sample of the types of activities you should try to include:

- School clubs (SADD, etc)
- Student Council
- Destination Imagination
- Athletics (school and community teams/squads)
- Religious youth groups
- Performance groups (choir, band, dance, theater, etc.)
- Community-based clubs or groups
- Community service groups
- Work experience (babysitting, yard work, camp counselor, etc.)
- Volunteer activities
- Awards and honors (student of the month, scholastic letter, principals list, etc.)

## Participation

Include all organizations in which you are currently or have been involved. List any of your special accomplishments as a member of the organization. Please list activities participated in during grades 5-7.

I was selected by my classmates in 5th grade to be on student council. I thought it was a great experience. I helped with the school's landscaping, met the mayor, ran many fundraisers, demonstrate my leadership skills, and so many other exciting things. I learned from my time on student council and know it has helped me become a better leader and citizen!

I am a very athletic person. I play many sports. I've played football all my life. This year, I was a starting cornerback. I also play lacrosse, which is my favorite sport. I've played since 4th grade. I am now on the A Team and am enjoying it very much. Many people are surprised by me being on the varsity teams because I am one of the smallest kids in school. I think it shows my determination and hard work ethic of not letting obstacles get in my way. I also like to play basketball, but decided this year not to play on a team so I could focus my energy on making the A Team for lacrosse. For the last 4 summers, I have participated in Centerville's Youth Running Club. Unfortunately, I will be too old this summer so I am planning to volunteer to teach the preschool kids how to run with my older sister.

Religion is very important to me. Although I don't participate in many youth groups as I used to because they conflict with mandatory practices. I still participate in many religious activities whenever my schedule permits. I used to be in a youth group called A.W.A.N.A. That is where I learned many new bible verses. Over time, I got very busy with sports and had to stop doing it. Since I quit that, every Saturday I go to church and I learn about God in small group settings with other kids. My faith is extremely helpful to me when I am making decisions on how to lead my life and how to treat others.

I love to perform in many different things even though I am not in any formalized groups. I enjoy playing the guitar in my spare time and take weekly lessons. Last year in 6th grade, I was in Choir and I discovered that I am a good singer. My teacher encouraged me to join a choir group, but I declined due to not enough time in my schedule. I also love to act. I am always the first to volunteer in class whenever we act or must speak in front of people because I don't ever get nervous and it helps people follow my example. I think people who have interest in the arts are very cool and I like learning from them even though I am not in any of their groups.

I've done many things that involve in work. In 6th grade, I started my own stringing business. I string lacrosse sticks for teammates and people who live around me. I charged \$15 dollars per stick. It's not a whole lot of money, but it's helps me pay for my new equipment and going out with my friends. Also, I have a snow shoveling business. I charge my neighbors \$5 to shovel their driveways. Unfortunately, this year was not a good year for my business so

this summer I plan on expanding my business to include mowing lawns. I really like my businesses, I think they are a great way for me to be active, meet new people, be responsible, and earn money. Recently, I started a YouTube channel where I make videos. My videos are usually about flipping, playing lacrosse, or other sports. I always try to be positive in the videos and never talk bad about people. My hope is one day I will get enough viewers to make money.

As you can tell, I am a very active person. Below are the organizations that I have participated in.

Student Council

Springboro Youth Football

Springboro Youth Basketball

Springboro Youth Lacrosse

SOGO Lacrosse

Centerville Youth Running Club

Sports Club

Guitar Lessons

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## Volunteer Service \*

List the organizations and activities for which you have volunteered your time and energy. Some examples include: food drives, donation collection, disaster relief, work at community or volunteer agencies, mentoring or tutoring of students, etc. Generally, volunteer services are those activities which you have done for the benefit of others for which you received no money, gifts or other compensation. Please be specific. Did you do this one time, once a year, once a month? What grade were you in when you participated in this activity?

I love serving my community. I think it is good for the community and I learn many things from it too. When I was young many people volunteered their time to help me. Now, it is my turn to help others. My expertise is helping in sports. I can relate to young kids. They always seem happy when I am helping them learn a sport. I really enjoy my time in the Fall and Spring when I volunteer to help disabled kids play baseball at Miracle Field. During lacrosse season, I am always helping the bantam teams learn how to play the game and assist the coaches whenever needed. Throughout the whole year, I help babysit little kids at my Church with my Mom. She puts me in charge of the little boys. They like to learn from me and listen to my rules. I also volunteer at my Church's food bank. When I was in student council, I did landscaping projects, fundraisers, and run food drives. Finally, every year at Christmas In Springboro, I participate in the parade with the local nursing home. I hand out candy to small kids during the parade.

I try to volunteer whenever my schedule permits. Below are the details of my service.

5th grade - present: Work in Church's nursery once a month

5th grade - present: Work at Church's food bank yearly

5th grade: Student council relate volunteer projects

6th grade: Volunteer at Miracle Field at least 4 times per year

6th grade: Assisted bantam lacrosse coaches to teach kids weekly during lacrosse season

6th grade: Assisted coaches during lacrosse tryouts

6th grade: Provided free stringing of lacrosse heads to coaches and kids who could not pay

7th grade: Assisted coaches during lacrosse tryouts

7th grade: Volunteer at Miracle Field 4 times during the Fall season

## Recognition, Awards and Positions of Leadership

List any honors, awards and/or recognition/position of leadership you have received or held while involved in activities, organizations, teams, clubs, etc... in the school, community, or elsewhere. Please list the grade(s) you received the recognition during.

I've received many trophies and awards specially in sports, but the ones I am most proud of are the school awards. In the 2nd and 5th grades, I received the student of the year award. In elementary school, every quarter I received either a silver or gold certificate for my good grades and I would represent my class in the spelling bee. Also in 5th grade, I received the President's award. In 6th grade I received the student of the month, student of the year for gym, and was on the Principal's list for good grades all year. So far in 7th grade, I have received two Panther Paws and I been on the Principals list both quarters. I was very proud of all my awards because I work hard to receive them and will continue to strive for more awards.

## Section 3

In under 250 words, type an essay on a word processor answering the question: Why do you want to become a member of the National Junior Honor Society? Please consider the definitions of the NJHS criteria and how you have demonstrated those definitions in your essay. Volunteer service, extracurricular activities and leadership roles are crucial here.

Please put your essay here: \*

There are many reasons why I'd love to become a member of NJHS. First off, I know this is a very prestigious society and I'd honored to be a part of it. It will show my accomplishments in school, sports, and community involvement, which all three I take very seriously. I know each of these play an important part of developing me into a successful and caring adult. By becoming a member, it will encourage me to continue to excel in academics while providing me additional opportunities to serve my community and to be a leader. NJHS will help me be better prepared for high school and ultimately advancing into college. I know NJHS will require a lot of community service which will allow me to learn new things and meet new people. It will also provide many opportunities for me to grow as a leader and expose me to numerous new learning opportunities that are not available in school which will all help me be better prepared for my future life. I will be honored and will take pride if I am chosen. Also, I will not take it for granted and will take the membership very seriously. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to apply and I hope my qualifications will grant me acceptance.

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