

NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY



The National Junior Honor Society, founded in 1929, is dedicated to recognizing and encouraging academic achievement while developing other characteristics essential to citizens in democracy.

The following standards and procedures will be used by the Carthage chapter to select its members: Students are selected for membership on the basis of their scholarship, character, leadership, citizenship, and service to their schools and community according to standards and procedures established by the individual schools.

The following requirements must be met for a student to be eligible for the final selection process:

- 7th or 8th grade student
- Enrolled the entire second semester
- Cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.5 or better
- Students must display exemplary behavior in and out of the classroom (No referrals of any kind.)
- Drug Testing Policy on file at the Carthage Junior High School
- Candidacy application on file by September 11th (Exception: Enrolled after September 14th)
- ~~Complete a minimum of 8 hours of service by April 3rd~~
 - ~~4 hours served through NJHS sponsored events, supervised and set up by NJHS~~
 - ~~2 hours served working the concession stand at a CIHS event~~

Because of Coronavirus restrictions, no community service hours will be required during the 2020-21 school year.

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*More approved Carthage organizations will be added to this list via Remind

- ~~Any other community service not through one of the above locations must be pre-approved (at least a week in advance) with Mrs. Anderson or Mrs. Davis, the NJHS co-sponsors.~~
- ~~Volunteer service is defined as time spent performing a service to better your community or school without compensation, benefitting the Carthage community as a whole, not just one individual.~~
- ~~You must work the entire shift for you sign up. If you cannot work a shift you signed up for, you must find an NJHS student to replace you.~~

The final selection process entails the following:

1. The counselors' office provides the faculty selection committee with a list of eligible students.
2. The selection committee distributes ballots for each candidate to the teachers. The ballot is an objective rating sheet, which is a summary of points for the five desired qualities in the candidate.
3. The teachers confidentially fill out the rating sheets only on those students with whom they have come in contact with through classes during that academic year. Evaluations are confidential and are intended only for the selection committee.
4. The evaluations are returned to the selection committee who makes the final selection based on the following:
 - Must have received a 3.4 average out of a possible 4.0 average on all their teachers' rating sheets.
5. The selection committee will vote upon students who receive an overall rating of 3.4 or above.
6. Candidates receiving a majority vote will be notified of their selection through the mail and invited to attend the induction ceremony. A meeting of the 8th grade returning members will be called to participate in the induction ceremony.