

Dear 7th Grade Students,

There are five **PILLARS** to become a member of the National Junior Honor Society. If the NJHS membership is a goal for you, you should begin working on achieving the pillars at the start of 6th grade.

The first pillar is **SCHOLARSHIP** with the expected cumulative GPA of 3.5 or better by the end of the second trimester in your current grade (6th or 7th). For the **SERVICE** pillar you should be able to convey what you do for your school and community. Where do you volunteer? With the pillar of **LEADERSHIP** you will need to discuss your leadership roles; where and when. The pillar of **CHARACTER** has the expectation of honesty, reliability, shows concern, respect for others along with self-respect. For this pillar, you should ask yourself, "Am I an empathic person? Am I a role model? Am I the type of person to help my peers with academic and social needs? Do I always try my best no matter what? And do I show respect to all my teachers and peers?" These answers **MUST** be yes to all of the questions. The last pillar, **CITIZENSHIP**, is where you will need to demonstrate responsibility through your community and school activities.



To review the application and detailed criteria, please go to the school website:

pms.pelhamsd.org
Under the student tab
NJHS Application

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INTERESTED STUDENTS

As you begin the early stages of greater independence and responsibility as a middle-level student, you may discover interest in leadership and service, and have a thirst for challenge...and accomplishment.

Membership in the NJHS may be an ideal fit for you! You can become a member through the local selection process that concludes with induction into the school's NJHS chapter.

Membership truly lays the groundwork for lifelong success.

THE FIVE PILLARS OF THE NJHS

Scholarship: Students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

Service: Involves voluntary contributions made by a student to the school or community, done without compensation.

Leadership: Students leaders are those who are resourceful, good problem solvers, and idea contributors. Leadership experiences can be drawn from school or community activities while working with or community activities while working with or for others.

Character: The student of good character is cooperative; demonstrates high standards of honesty and reliability; shows courtesy, concern, and respect for others; and generally maintains a clean disciplinary record.

Citizenship: The student who demonstrates citizenship understands the importance of civic engagement; has a high regard for freedom and justice; respects the U.S. form of government; respects the law for all citizens at the local, state, and federal ; and demonstrates mature participation and responsibility in activities such as scouting, community organizations, or school clubs.

UNDERSTANDING THE OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP

Students who accept membership and are inducted into the chapter should be aware of the time and commitment involved with this honor. For example, there will be chapter meetings throughout the school year. The chapter bylaws articulate the yearly meeting schedule and member attendance obligations. Members must also participate in chapter and individual service projects to benefit the school and community.

The Pelham Memorial Charter Obligations:

Morning Study 7AM report time twice a week.

Maintain Lost and Found and the Time Capsule Material.

Assist: with Parent/Teacher Conferences, and School setup.

Fundraisers: Breast Cancer Research, UNICEF, Red Nose Day, The American Heart Association, Operation Care for Troops, National Kindness Day, Pelham Good Neighbor Fund, and Make A Wish Organization.