

Junior Honor Society

1) Purpose

- a. To create an enthusiasm for scholarship
- b. To encourage and develop Christian character
- c. To advance Christian leadership
- d. To emphasize Christian service.

2) Membership

Only 7th and 8th grade students may be included in the JHS. The following criteria is used to select members of the Northside Christian Academy Junior Honor Society:

- 3) **Scholarship:** A student must have a cumulative 3.2 GPA; this includes 6th, 7th, and 8th grade (or the student's current grade).
- 4) **Christian Character:** A student must have 4 or fewer demerits the previous semester and the current semester. This is not a cumulative total, but 4 or fewer each semester. The student must have neither suspensions nor Saturday schools the previous or current semester. The student must have 2 or fewer detention halls and 2 or fewer fines the previous semester and current semester. These detention halls and fines are not cumulative.
- 5) **Christian Leadership:** A student must have a willingness to demonstrate leadership in each of the following ways:
 - Lead in class discussions
 - Stand alone on Christian principle
 - Speak out against evil doers
 - Be willing to run for class officer, honor society officer, etc.
 - Willing to be a captain of a sports team
 - And the student must give at least one specific example of his leadership in the past year.
- 6) **Christian Service:** A student must be willing to serve at least seven hours on individual Christian service projects; two of those hours must be completed first semester. In addition each student is required to participate in the Junior Honor Society group service project(s). The student must list two service projects he was involved within the last year.

Note: A student must be enrolled at NCA for at least one full semester before he is considered for membership.

Other Considerations: The student should be willing to attend the once per month society meetings. These meetings are usually before school.

a. Membership Dues

Annual *Membership Dues* are \$10 per member. This amount is due by the first of December.

b. Chapter Activities

Each year the Junior Honor Society completes one or more community service projects in which all the members of the society are involved. This project could be oriented toward improving student leadership, educating them as citizens, learning about service opportunities, providing spiritual growth, or performing some school service. In addition, individual members are expected to choose another area of involvement in line with their

particular talents and interests. This approach emphasizes the need for cooperative effort in service to the community while providing an opportunity for individuals to discover and develop their own unique contributions.

c. Induction

A special induction ceremony is held once a year for the new members of the Junior Honor Society. The JHS officers take part in the ceremony and a guest speaker is invited to give the induction address. A reception for the inductees and their parents is held following the ceremony.