

## National Junior Honor Society (NJHS)

**Potential Candidates:** Our chapter invites students to apply during the third quarter of their 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade school year. To be invited to apply for membership to the FLEC NJHS Chapter students must have earned at least a 94.5% average in core subjects (Bible, Math, Science, Social Studies, Reading and Composition) during their previous school year and until right before NJHS induction.

Candidates also need proof of at least 10 hours of community service hours during the current school year. Hours accumulated in June and July before start of school can be counted. Participating in Food Drives, being an Ambassador, VBS volunteer, Risen-Experience, Sabbath School volunteer, etc. are all examples of community service activities. Candidates also need to show leadership activities. This can include classroom, athletics, or any other extra-curricular activity.

**Membership** in NJHS is an honor. Potential members of this national society must meet the following obligations:

### 1. Service

- a. **Chapter Service Projects** – All members participate and promote the NJHS Group Service Projects. We will have at least two group projects a year.
- b. **Individual Service Projects** – All members independently complete an additional 20 hours of service over the course of the year. This service may be completed through a church group, Pathfinders, a community volunteer effort, and/or opportunities offered at FLEC.

2. **Scholarship** – As an honor society, we have high expectations for academic performance. NJHS members must have at least a 94.5% average in core subjects upon induction and maintain at least a 94.5% average thereafter. Students must also earn at least an 83.5% in their elective classes and maintain an 83.5% thereafter.

3. **Leadership** – Members of NJHS act as student leaders, providing a positive role model to other FLEC students.

4. **Character** – Members of NJHS strive to develop the following character traits: responsibility, respect, patience, courage, caring, integrity, self-control, cooperation, and perseverance. If a member receives a Demerit from FLEC administration, the member may be placed on probation, or their membership may be revoked. This is determined on a case-by-case basis depending on the level of discipline.

### Further Obligations:

1. **Dues** – FLEC's NJHS members pay annual chapter dues of \$50 and fees of \$20, for a total of \$70 annually. These dues help keep the chapter license current and fund select chapter activities.

2. **Meeting Attendance** – Members are expected to attend all scheduled membership meetings. Members who cannot attend scheduled monthly meetings must provide a written excuse to the Chapter advisors. If a member misses (2) monthly meetings, their membership may be revoked.

**When membership obligations are not met:**

Students who have been unable to fulfill obligations of our NJHS Chapter are notified in writing that they are on probationary status. Those on probation will have no more than one academic semester to demonstrate their ability and willingness to fulfill all obligations of membership to be considered a member in good standing. If they are unable to maintain membership obligations, the Faculty Council will hold a hearing to consider the student's dismissal from the Chapter.

Dismissal Hearings provide the probationary member with due process rights. The member may present reasons s/he should be allowed to maintain NJHS membership. If the Faculty Council rules for dismissal from the Chapter, the student may file a formal written appeal with the principal asking for reinstatement. The principal has full authority over all actions and decisions of the Faculty Council on discipline or dismissal of members.

**Resignation or Chapter Membership**

Personal situations may change, and the NJHS members could find themselves unable to fulfill the obligations of NJHS membership. In this situation, members have the option of tendering a letter of resignation instead of facing the disciplinary hearing and/or dismissal from the FLEC Chapter. Members are urged to meet with the FLEC sponsor(s) if they feel their situation may warrant resignation from NJHS. Sponsor(s) will work with probationary members to find ways to remain members in good standing.