**St. John Eudes Junior High School Chapter of the**

**NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY**

NAME: GRADE: \_\_\_

Student E-mail: Parent E-mail:

**\*\*\*Application due\_\_May 31, 2016\_\_**

**Student Criteria**

St. John Eudes is entering its fourth year as an enthusiastic participant in the National Junior Honor Society (NJHS).  Like the National Honor Society, the NJHS is a co-curricular opportunity that recognizes middle school students who demonstrate outstanding performance in each of the following areas: scholarship, leadership, service and character.  As Catholics, we are called upon to appreciate and develop the gifts with which we have been blessed.  Given the types of personal and civic qualities endorsed by NJHS, this program provides the school an opportunity to recognize the academic, service, and leadership characteristics of students and, more importantly, engage participants in further leadership and service experiences aimed at nurturing and, in some cases, enhancing the spiritual, academic, and social goals of the school.

In order to qualify for NJHS, students must be presently enrolled in the 6th,7th or new to the 8th grade and meet each component maintained in the following four-part criteria:

1.) Scholarship Requirements:

* Students must earn a 3.5 GPA cumulative average (for all subjects, for three consecutive trimesters)
* No single report card GPA below 3.2 will be accepted
* Students must receive effort grades of only O, G, or S.

2.) Service Requirements:

* A total of 5 service hours (beyond the Junior High services hours required) to be completed by the last week of school in June (date to be determined by the school)
* Quality service in **both** the parish and the community outside of St. John Eudes is required
* Participating in the St. John Eudes NJHS Chapter annual service project is required

3.) Leadership Requirements:

* Regular attendance of NJHS monthly meetings (first Monday of the month during junior high lunch period in 7th grade homeroom) – missed meetings not due to absence or advisor and administrative approval will result in dismissal
* A notable or consistent pattern of absences and/or tardies will not be tolerated.
* Active participation in school-related and/or extra-curricular activities and clubs
* $20.00 annual membership fee (checks made payable to St. John Eudes). *This fee will be collected upon acceptance into the NJHS program.* These dues help fund chapter activities.

4.) Character Requirements:

* No notable or consistent pattern of misbehavior or conduct referrals
* No incidences related to the bullying of other students
* No incidences of plagiarism or cheating
* No conduct referrals or suspensions for serious, egregious behavior that reflects character inconsistent with the expectations of NJHS and St. John Eudes
* An observable commitment to inclusiveness, kindness and “doing one’s best”
* A positive individual online presence

Those students who qualify for NJHS are invited to submit an application at the end of a full school year to the members of the Faculty Council who will make determinations based on the criteria outlined above. Students accepted as members will formally join NJHS at the annual induction ceremony. Members will participate in a variety of service and leadership activities (to be coordinated with the help of the Faculty Council) while a part of NJHS.  As members, all students will be expected to continue to meet the standards (academic and otherwise), which served as the basis for their selection to the program.

**STUDENT ACTIVITY INFORMATION FORM**

**DIRECTIONS:**

1. The student should complete all sections. Do not be modest. Include any information that you

feel demonstrates the necessary qualities. Completion of this form does not guarantee induction into the NJHS.

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3. Make sure a student and parent signature is provided.

**Part 1: Activities**

List all activities in which you have participated both in and out of school. List major accomplishments in each.

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| **Activity** | **6th** | **7th** | **8th** | **Accomplishments** |
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**Part 2: Leadership Positions**

List all elected or appointed leadership positions held in school, community, or work activities. Only those positions in which you were directly responsible for directing or motivating others should be included. For example: elected by student body, class or club officer, committee chairperson, team captain, newspaper editor, or community leader.

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| **Leadership Position** | **Activity** | **6th** | **7th** | **8th** | **Accomplishments** |
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**Part 3: Community Activities**

List service and community activities in which you have participated and note any major accomplishment in each. Community activities are those in which you participated for the betterment of your community. For example: religious groups, Scouts, volunteer groups, community art or environmental endeavors. Service projects may have been done with a group in or out of school or done as individual projects performing service. Generally speaking, these activities are those which are done for or on behalf of others (not including immediately family members) for which no compensation (monetary or other) has been given. This section must have the signatures of the adult sponsors who can verify your participation in each activity.

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| **Activity** | **Time Committed (i.e. hours/week)** | **6th** | **7th** | **8th** | **Sponsor or Parent Signature** |
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**Part 4: Recognition and Awards**

List any experiences, honors, or recognition that you have received which support your bid to be inducted for membership into the NJHS. Do not be modest- feel free to include any award or honor that you think qualifies.

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| **Recognition** | **6th** | **7th** | **8th** | **Activity or Group** |
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**Part 5: Essay**

Reflect on yourself as a potential member of the NJHS. Use the space below to address the following questions in 500-700 words.

***What skills and characteristics would you bring as a member of the NJHS organization? How do you exhibit the four pillars of scholarship, service, leadership and character throughout your life?***

I understand that my completion of this information form does not guarantee selection to NJHS and that the information presented here is accurate.

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Student Signature Date

I have read the information provided by my son/daughter on this form and can verify that it is true, accurate, and complete in its presentation. I also understand that the completion of this information form does not guarantee selection to NJHS.

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Parent Signature Date