



# Gunston National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) Candidate Information Packet Cover Page

**Please bring your completed application packet  
to the Main Office by Friday, March 23, 2018 at 2:24pm.**

Please assemble your packet in the following order. Make sure your name is on every page! Staple in the upper left hand corner.

- Application Packet Cover Page (page 1)
- Student Activity Information Sheet (pages 2-5)
- Essay
- Teacher Recommendation Form (page 7)

I have received the invitation for NJHS. I understand that completion of this packet does not guarantee selection into the National Junior Honor Society, and I verify that all information presented is both accurate and complete.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Name (first & last; please print clearly)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Grade

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Name of Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

TA Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

### National Junior Honor Society Student Activity Information Sheet

**Directions:**

- Please complete all sections of this sheet
- Brag about yourself. Don't be modest!
- If you have more items than space provided, please list *only the most important*. You can use your essay portion for details and other accomplishments that you would also like to share.

**1. Scholarship**

*Neatly write* all honors and awards earned for academic excellence in the last two years. (You may include A/B Honor roll, All A Honor Roll, BUG roll, etc.)

Honor or Award	Date or Grade level
<i>Example: All A honor roll</i>	<i>6th grade, Quarters 1 and 2</i>

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## 2. Co-Curricular Activities

*Neatly write* all in-school and community activities in which you have participated in 5th or 6th grades. Include clubs, teams, musical groups, major accomplishments, etc. This can be a Gunston activity or private club/organization.

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Accomplishments</b>	<b>date or grade level</b>
<i>Example: Concert Band</i>	<i>Performed with the Concert Band, requiring 90 minutes of practice outside of class per week</i>	<i>5th and 6th grades</i>

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### 3. Leadership

*Neatly write* all leadership experiences you have had at school or in the community in 5th or 6th grades. Include positions in which you were responsible for directing or motivating others. (Example: elected position of the SGA, club officer, scouting, youth group, team captain, etc.)

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Accomplishments</b>	<b>date or grade level</b>
<i>Example: student government class representative</i>	<i>Helped get more recess time for our class</i>	<i>5th grade</i>

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#### 4. Service

*Neatly write* all service activities you have contributed to in 5th or 6th grades. These can be service projects with a group in or out of school or done as an individual. Generally, these are done for or on the behalf of others (not including immediate family) for no payment.

Please include the name and contact information of an adult who can verify your service activities.

Service activity	Dates, # of Hours	Contact person	Contact email or phone
<i>Example: Bagged groceries at the Arlington Food Assistance Center</i>	<i>November, 2 hours; December 2 hours</i>	<i>Adult Sponsor Name</i>	<i>555-123-4568</i>

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**National Junior Honor Society Essay Question:  
Character and Citizenship**

Think of three character traits you possess. Examples could include: bravery, joyfulness, punctuality, kindness, loyalty, cheerfulness, honesty, thankfulness, patience, humor, sharing, understanding, tolerance, cooperation, perseverance, fairness, generosity, and others.

Briefly explain how you have exhibited these three characteristics and how they have benefited Gunston and Arlington. Please provide a few descriptive examples to support each trait--you can use your Student Activity Information Sheet to help you!

Next, explain how these character traits could help you serve Gunston and the community if you are inducted into the National Junior Honor Society.

**Guidelines:**

**Your essay must have your first and last name, grade level, and TA teacher in the top right corner.**

Your essay must be:

- Written with proper grammar, punctuation, capitalization, and spelling.
- Typed (you may use library computers/printers)
- Double-spaced
- 12-point font
- Brief: 150-250 words (this is about 1 to 1 1/2 pages double-spaced)
  - *To check your word count in Google Docs, go to "Tools," and choose "Word Count."*

**Format:**

Essay format (4 paragraphs):

- Paragraph 1: Introductory sentences
- Paragraph 2: Your three character traits and supporting examples
- Paragraph 3: Connection to how these traits will benefit others as a NJHS member
- Paragraph 4: Concluding sentences

*Have your parent, teacher, or friend read your essay before you hand it in.*

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TA Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

### National Junior Honor Society Teacher Recommendation Form

This student is eligible for membership in the National Junior Honor Society (NJHS). Students must obtain teacher signatures in two out of the four core subject areas: English, Math, Social Studies, and Science.

Selection for membership is determined by the Gunston NJHS Faculty Council and is based on outstanding scholarship, citizenship, character, leadership, and service.

If you recommend the candidate, according to the above stated qualifications--**without reservation**--please sign in the space below.

I recommend this candidate, **without reservation**, for membership in NJHS.

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Teacher Signature

Print Name

Subject

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Teacher Signature

Print Name

Subject