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**ISLAND TREES MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL
NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY**



**Requirement Letter
Academic Year 2017-2018**

Congratulations on your membership into the National Junior Honor Society. This year will be one in which you will need to shine in your *service, character, leadership, citizenship and scholarship*. These **five** important criteria that make up the NJHS are essential in your membership of this highly recognized and respected organization.

In order to maintain membership in the Island Trees Memorial Middle School NJHS, you will need fulfill the following requirements:

- attend the general monthly meetings
Please make sure you refer to the NJHS link on the middle school website, schedule of meetings flyer, listen for school announcements or see the easel in the lunchroom.
- adhering to the principles of an Island Trees Memorial Middle School NJHS honor student by representing our school in the five criteria areas
- obtain a minimum of **25 school service points** beginning September 2017 until May 2018
Please note that outside community service is not accepted for school service.
- maintain the minimum required quarter average of **88.0% or higher** on each report card throughout your time as a member
****If you cannot maintain this average each report card quarter, your membership as a NJHS student will be forfeited immediately. It is your responsibility to maintain and keep your grades up.**

Attached is a list of school club options that will be accepted for NJHS school service points. Sometime in April 2018, all NJHS members will be given a “Service Point Validation” sheet that will need to be completed by the student and signed by the teacher/advisor of each of the clubs listed. Additionally, there will also be special opportunities to earn school service points. These opportunities will only be given by Mrs. Harouche or Mrs. Nieves.

Keep in mind that as a NJHS member, your commitment to this Society is an important stepping stone to future success. If you have any questions regarding the points and your membership, please see one of us.

Thank you, *Mrs. Harouche & Mrs. Nieves*

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2017-2018 General Meetings Calendar

Listed below are the dates for our general meetings. Please note that these dates may change. Please listen to morning announcements and look at the easel in the cafeteria for meetings reminders. As a member of NJHS, you are required to attend the general meetings.

September: 12, 19, 26
October: 10, 17, 24
November 14
December 5
January 9, 30
February 27
March 13
April: <i>to be announced</i>
May: <i>to be announced</i>

All meetings are held immediately after school until 3:00-3:15pm (depending on the agenda of the meeting). Please listen for announcements or look on the easel to find the location of the meeting (which may change at every meeting).

If you have any questions regarding the meetings, please see Mrs. Nieves (room 142) or Mrs. Harouche (room 120).

You can also email us at: dnieves@islandtrees.org or hharouche@islandtrees.org

2017-2108 School Service Clubs

All inducted members must attend the NJHS general monthly meetings.

Make sure you refer to the school website link, schedule of dates flyer, listen for announcements or see the easel in the lunchroom for date, time and place. It is very important that you sign the attendance sheet (official record) while at the meeting.

Listed below are the Island Trees Memorial Middle School National Junior Honor Society activities/ clubs that are acceptable for school service points. You must have a **minimum of 25 school service points** by the end of April 2018 in order to receive a NJHS School Service pin at the Moving Up ceremony in June.

Remember, that outside community service is not accepted for school service.

Special Opportunities:

- Parent / Teacher Conference: Help a teacher greet and keep appointment times for parents. Make sure you sign up with us and get a teacher validation form to give to the teacher you are helping. It will need to be signed by the teacher and returned to Mrs. Harouche.

*This opportunity for NJHS points is only for those not in Student Leaders. NJHS members involved in Student Leaders have the opportunity to participate as members of the Student Leaders Club. We do not allow “double dipping.”

2 points afternoon session 2 points evening session

- Helping with the 5th/6th or 7/8th grade Talent show. These points are for SERVICE not for performing. **3 service points**
- Helping with the I.T.M.M.S. Sports Night event. These points are for SERVICE not for participating in the event. This opportunity for NJHS points is only for those not in Student Leaders. **3 service points**

The following year-long service clubs are worth 5 school service points each:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Arts and Crafts *BRAVE *Builders Club *Canvas Painting Club *Chess Club *Creative Writing Workshop *Dance for Your Health *Digital Video *ITMMS Drama Club *Friends of the Environment *FCCLA *<u>Focus</u> Yearbook Student Staff *Friends of the Environment *Friends of Rachel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Home and Careers Club *Homework Club (helping other students) *Lego League *Library (mornings) *Math Olympiad *Mural Club *SADD Club *Science Olympiad *Scrapbook Club *STEAM Club *Student Council *Student Leaders *Working with a BOCES Class
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*ITMMS sports team (counts as 1 club/**5 points** no matter how many sports teams you are involved in)

*7/8 Grade Jazz, Blues or Select Choir, 3M (counts as 1 club/**5 points** no matter how many music clubs you are involved in)

Bulldog Jr.* online news: **5 service points You must contribute at least 5 articles for the school year.

You can find out the name of the advisor, times, days and rooms where these clubs are held by going to the middle school website.

Note:

- There will be other additional opportunities to earn points, so make sure you attend the general meetings to be up to date.
- An official service validation form will be given out in April for all the points you have earned throughout the 2017-2018 school year.

STUDENT AND PARENT AGREEMENT FORMS

**Please complete, sign and return to Mrs. Nieves or Mrs. Harouche no later than
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th**

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Student and Parent Agreement Forms 2017- 2018

NJHS member's first name _____ last _____

Advisory room teacher _____ Room # _____

I. Member

I have read the 2017-2018 letter regarding the requirements needed to maintain active membership in the ITMMS-NJHS. As a member, I am required to adhere to the principles of the Honor Society.

The requirements include:

~attendance of monthly meetings

~obtaining a minimum of **25 school service points**

*The types of services are determined by the advisors of this prestigious club. Outside community service is not accepted for school service points. If I do not successfully

earn the minimum amount of points, I am aware that I will **forfeit** my membership, not be recognized as a service point pin recipient and will not be able to participate in any future Island Trees Memorial Middle School National Junior Honor Society events or ceremonies.

~minimum required quarter average of **88.0%** or higher on each report card

*If this average is not maintained, my membership will be forfeited.

Additionally, if I receive a “pink slip,” in school or out of school suspension anytime this school year, I immediately forfeit my NJHS membership.

Member signature: _____ Date _____

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II. Parent/Guardian

I have read the 2017-2018 NJHS letter regarding the requirements for active membership. I am aware that my child _____ is required to adhere to the principles of an ITMMS - NJHS member.

The requirements include:

~attendance of monthly meetings

~obtaining a minimum of **25 school service points**

* The types of services are determined by the advisors of this prestigious club. Outside community service is not accepted for school service points. If my child does not successfully earn the minimum amount of points, I am aware that he/she will **forfeit** his/her membership, not be recognized as a service point pin recipient and will not be able to participate in any future Island Trees Memorial Middle School National Junior Honor Society events or ceremonies.

~minimum required quarter average of 88.0% or higher on each report card

*If this average is not maintained, my child’s membership will be forfeited.

I am aware that if my child receives a “pink slip,” in school or out of school suspension anytime this school year, his/her membership in NJHS will be immediately forfeited.

Parent/Guardian signature: _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____ Date _____

****Return these signed and completed forms to Mrs. Nieves or Mrs. Harouche on or before our scheduled Tuesday, September 26th meeting.**

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Student's Personal Tally Sheet for 2017-2018 Service Points

Keep track of your service points by listing the service that you have done. Remember to follow our service list for the amount of points you can receive. You will not be given service credit for anything not approved by us. You will be given an official service point validation form sometime in the spring. At that time, you will need to recopy the information below and obtain signatures from the club/sport advisors. Remember that no outside community service will be accepted.

Time Period	Club/Service I Performed	Points I Earned

Remember, you must have a minimum of 25 service points by May 2018.