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Dear 8th grade families,

We are excited to let you know that 8th grade students have the opportunity to apply for membership into the National Junior Honor Society. The NJHS is a national organization that recognizes scholarship, leadership, citizenship, character and service. Each year, Mineola High School proudly inducts eligible students into this prestigious organization. This year's ceremony will be combining the 7th and 8th grade. **It will be held on June 5th at 7pm at the Middle School.**

We are writing now so that you and your child are aware of the requirements and can begin to work towards them. First, students must have an average of 90 or above the first three quarters. In addition, students must show evidence of a minimum of 15 hours of community service. If students meet these two qualifications, they will receive a letter in the spring inviting them to apply for membership. Students who receive the letter then must fill out an application and attach the community service log, which can be found on the high school's website, in order to be considered. Students should download the community service log from the website and fill it in as they complete hours throughout the year.

Membership to the organization is determined by a team of teachers and administrators that review the application, teacher recommendations and the student's behavior throughout the year. We know that many of our 8th grade students are excited to continue to be a part of the NJHS, or perhaps would like to be eligible this year. Please encourage them to begin their community service hours, which can be achieved by doing service with an organization outside of school and through opportunities provided through the school (8 ways to serve, Key Club, etc.). Finally, remind your children how important it is to be prepared, work towards the academic criteria and regularly exhibit proper behavior. We look forward to helping your children reach this goal.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jennie Fahey
Assistant Principal