

The following criteria will be used to select the candidates for membership in the

Pride of Samoset chapter of the National Junior Honor Society

- **Scholastic**- Students must maintain a 92.5 overall average in all subject areas throughout middle school. To determine initial eligibility, average the final grade column at the end of sixth and seventh grade. (The final grade in each course incorporates the marking quarter grades and the final exam.) Students will not be eligible if they received a failing marking quarter grade at any time during sixth and seventh grade.

During the first quarter of eighth grade, NJHS applications will be given to those students who have met the scholastic requirement. The following criteria are then given further consideration:

- **Activities**- the candidate must have participated in at least **two** clubs, and/or sports teams during sixth, seventh, and/or eighth grade. Band, Orchestra, and Chorus do not satisfy this requirement. Jazz Band, Marching Band, and Select Chorus do.
- **Service**- the candidate must be able to document **ten** hours of voluntary service to school and/or community from the fall of sixth grade through the fall of eighth grade. These hours must be documented by a written acknowledgement and signature from the organization receiving the service. Peer tutoring, library aide, guides at open school night are examples of school service. Scouting and confirmation projects as well as participation in walk-a-thons etc. are community related. The summer provides an excellent opportunity for the students to become involved in their community.
- **Leadership**- the candidate will be evaluated by his/her teachers, club advisors and/or coaches on character and leadership abilities in the classroom and during extracurricular activities. A candidate would be ineligible if the student has ever been given in-school suspension or out-of-school suspension.