## Carl I. Bergerson Middle School National Junior Honor Society Qualification and Acceptance Process

The National Junior Honor Society recognizes outstanding Middle School students who demonstrate excellence in the areas of Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Character. These characteristics have been associated with membership in the organization since its beginning in 1912.

National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) is an organization that has been active in Albion for many years. Albion NJHS members devote countless hours of service in their school and community. Some of the service activities NJHS members have participated in over the past several years:

- Ushering Open House
- Bell ringing for the Salvation Army during the holiday season
- Tutoring students at the Elementary School
- Running a canned food drive in the fall to help support Community Action
- · Various activities throughout many local churches
- · Volunteering at PAWS

Students can qualify for membership in NJHS as a 7<sup>th</sup> grader. Academically, students must have a 93% cumulative average for 4 quarters and no quarter average can be below 90%. We will be using both Q3 & Q4 from the student's 6th grade year and Q1 & Q2 from their 7th grade year to determine academic qualification. Students who meet these academic requirements will be invited to support their candidacy for membership, a process which consists of completing an application, writing an essay, and obtaining letters of recommendation in the Spring of their 7th grade year. Membership is granted only to those applicants elected by the Albion NJHS Faculty Council using the information provided by the candidates in the areas of Leadership, Service, and Character, as well as input gathered from the Albion Middle School faculty, staff, and administration.