

*Congratulations to our 2020
Columbiana Middle School NJHS Inductees*

I truly enjoy the NJHS Induction ceremony each year. This ceremony provides us with an opportunity to celebrate the accomplishments of many of our 7th and 8th grade students. I am so proud of the accomplishments of these students. Although, we could not provide an assembly for these students during the school year, we certainly want to recognize and honor them. Below is the script our NJHS members have worked on in order to honor our inductees, along with the biographies of our new members. Congratulations to our newly inducted members. Continue to do great things...Continue to make us proud!

Sincerely,
Mr. Martin

2020 Induction Script

Chloe Loveland- President

Since 1912, the National Junior Honor Society has been welcoming students into its organization. We have gathered to commend and honor this year's NJHS inductees. These students were chosen based on their character and erudition. They strive for excellence and go above and beyond the expectations set by both others and themselves. They have demonstrated great merit and citizenship, and have proven to be spirited leaders who are very capable of removing the obstacles and solving the problems set before them. These inductees have and continue to prove their deservingness to be a part of NJHS. These students' drive will be honored today and I wish to offer them my congratulations.

Constructed from a keen and well-rounded foundation, the National Junior Honor Society has five central purposes: encouraging high citizenship, promoting eagerness for scholarship, developing leadership, creating the want to contribute service, and building strong character. NJHS is an organization committed to recognizing individuals who demonstrate these qualities. It also strives to create lively communities full of youth helping and giving to others. This organization holds high standards of achievement and means more than simply having a high grade point average. It challenges its members to grow, learn, and develop through involvement with both the school and the community.

The main pillars of the National Junior Honor Society, scholarship, service, leadership, character, and citizenship, have conducted the Columbiana Middle School NJHS chapter. The virtues are intertwined, and together, they form the foundation of an incredible organization, an organization that helps to shape youth and alter communities for the better. Our hope is that our inductees take these virtues and learn and build with them.

Each of the five central pillars of NJHS are represented here by candles. As you can see, the candle of knowledge is already lit, symbolizing that knowledge is essential for the other pillars, as they are constructed from it. Knowledge is all-embracing and helps to interrelate the five virtues. It is infinite and drives us to become our best selves. The pillars work together to build well rounded people and communities, and are still strong individually, but nonetheless, would be nonexistent without knowledge. Because the five virtues all branch from knowledge, we will use its flame to kindle each of the other candles.

Leadership is known to most as simply taking charge in a situation or over a group of people. However, it's a bit more complex than that. True leadership is the ability to be well rounded and open minded. It's listening and considering those around you. It's doing much more than the bare minimum. Leaders must not be selfish and need to know to always go the extra mile. They must set examples and create environments where others feel their opinions matter. Never can they have a set mindset, only growth. And as Ronald Reagan once said, "The greatest leader is not necessarily the one who does the greatest things. He is the one that gets the people to do the greatest things." As president of NJHS, I will now light the candle for leadership.

Service- Rebekah Clark

Merriam-Webster defines service as work that is done without pay to help people in a community. It is not done as a requirement to a sport, team or organization, but rather as a contribution to something larger than yourself. As members of NJHS, you should spend time, as you begin your journey in service not only in your community, but also at home, and in your country. Taking part in service activities will make a difference to you and to those around you, so as an inductee into the NJHS take your duty of service with the right attitude. One day you will be able to look back on something you have done and realize it was worthwhile and that you have made a difference.

I will now light the candle for service

Character- Vivian Jeffries

The next pillar of NJHS is Character. Character is how a person acts and is also who they are as a person. Because of character, no two students are alike, this gives them diversity and makes them different from everyone else. A person who has good character is someone that has a reputation of treating people fairly and respectfully, being kind, showing responsibility, being honest and much more. Character is doing the right thing because it's the right thing, not because you want people to see it.

I will now light the candle for Character.

Scholarship- Garon Pedicini

Scholarship is a very important aspect to National Juniors Honors Society. By managing your time and keeping a good GPA you will build a strong foundation as you continue your academic career. Staying involved in academics and extra-curricular activities is also needed. It will open many job opportunities for you and shape your future. As Mr. Richard Feynmann once said "Study hard what interests you the most in the most undisciplined, irreverent and original manner possible."

I will now light the candle of Scholarship.

Citizenship-Ian Less

A citizen is commonly known as a person in a community. But good citizens are people who follow rules all of the time, participate at a common rate, and strive to make their community a better place. The National Junior Honor Society recognizes students who carry themselves at higher standards than others. These people are common role models for others and should inspire others to strive to make their communities better.

I will now light the candle for Citizenship.

Biographies

Garon Reads:

Our inductee has a 4.0 GPA and she has been on both undefeated teams for Volleyball and Basketball in 6th and 7th grades. This year she and her team scored a victory by being named the 2020 EOAC Champions for Basketball. She also loves to help out in the community by making toothbrush kits for the homeless and baking cookies for the soldiers. This inductee was in the Geography Bee this year. Please help me give a warm welcome to Ellie Venezia to National Junior Honor Society.



Our next inductee has managed a 4.0 GPA. He also participated in many sports this year such as cross country, basketball and swimming. He has been the lead role for the past three musicals here at CMS. When he is not performing on the basketball court, he is breaking and making new records for his age group in the category of breast stroke, free relay and medley relay. This inductee has also participated in piano lessons for the past three years. He is also on the Student Council here at CMS. Please help me give a warm welcome to Preston Buckingham to National Juniors Honor Society.

Our next inductee has managed a 3.702 GPA. She has donated a total of 265 hours of community service. 232 hours out of the 265 she has donated to her church Lake Mount Christian in Rogers, Ohio. Out of those 232 hours she has spent cleaning toys, helping with their annual Vacation Bible School and much more. She received the Lewis and Clark Award last year for American Heritage Girls. She has also donated most of her time working concessions at football and volleyball games. In her seventh grade year she was a part of the seventh grade girls basketball team. Please help me give a warm welcome to **Serenity Edinger** to National Junior Honor Society.



Bekah reads:

This inductee remains very active in her community and her school, while still maintaining to have a 3.851 GPA. She has participated in Volleyball, Destination Imagination, Student council, book club, and she helps with the schools recycling. She also helped by working at the spring fling, serving as a band aide during football games, and passing out programs at school plays. This inductee goes out of her way to give a helping hand, and be a strong leader. Please congratulate and welcome Paige Lawton into NJHS.

Balancing a 3.91675 GPA, this inductee remains very active in his community and school. He has participated in school musicals, student council, and academic challenge. Outside of school he remains just as active by helping at vacation Bible school, serving as a junior usher, Christmas caroling, and participating in August overflow at his church. He also participates in Crown Theater plays, swim team, soccer, and plays the piano. This inductee always makes time for his community and his school, while setting an example to others what a leader does to help others. Please help me welcome Grady Guy as he enters NJHS.



This next inductee has a 3.6605 GPA. She has participated in track, English festival, school plays, destination imagination, casa soccer, and book clubs. She also remains active in her community by helping at Vacation Bible School, tutoring, volunteering at her church, the PTO's childcare program, and the spring fling. She's a strong worker, and makes a positive influence on others, and will be a great asset to NJHS. Please congratulate and help me

welcome Adalyn Quigley into NJHS.

Taylor Reads:

This inductee is a very active member inside and outside of school. She has been very involved with student council during her 5th, 6th, and 7th grade years, she was recognized as student of the month her 6th grade and 7th grade year, and is involved with recycling. Outside of school, she is a multi-sport athlete participating in basketball, volleyball, J.O volleyball, and now track. Her 7th grade basketball and volleyball team went undefeated. She is also the captain of her J.O volleyball team. She has participated in the Color run, helped out with many concession stands, parades, and plays. While doing all of that, she maintains a 3.82 GPA. Please welcome Danica Halas to National Junior Honor Society.



This next inductee plays an active role in her community. She is involved with Student Council her 6th and 7th grade year, the Geography Bee, Girls Who Code, Academic challenge, Radio Club, and the Principal's Advisory Committee, with all very important roles and accomplishments. This year in student council, she is vice president. She has also been a CHS Band-Aid, made cards for the nursing home, and assisted with CMS decorating. Her 6th grade year, she received the academic achievement award, was recognized as student of the month, and achieved perfect attendance. She maintains a 4.0 GPA. She also enjoys helping out in her church youth group, and playing softball. So please welcome Summer Sinsley to National Junior Honor Society.

This inductee is very active in many activities. She holds a 3.59 GPA, and is a multi-sport athlete. She has played basketball her 6th, 7th, and 8th grade years, along with playing AAU basketball outside of school. She also played volleyball her 7th and 8th grade year, and as well with softball her 6th grade year. She has had many achievements throughout all her sports. This inductee is active with school activities as well. She has participated in the Spelling Bee in 6th grade, coached the 3rd grade boys, and helped out with church plays. She also enjoys service projects with her church, going to church camp, and babysitting. Please help me congratulate Aleyna Kyser into National Junior Honor Society.

Chloe G reads:

Yesenia Pantoja

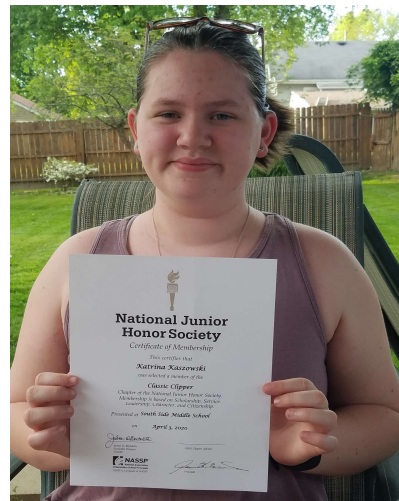
This inductee participates in many after school activities such as cheer, academic challenge, the school play, and book club while managing to keep a 4.0 GPA and perfect attendance. She is very active in her community as well, appearing to help at Joshua Dixon's literacy night, placing wreaths on veteran's graves, poster committee, the bronze award project, the waystation thanksgiving dinner, passing out carnations at the memorial day parade, and being an aid for Mrs. Baylor and the high school marching band. This inductee is also the president and secretary in girl scouts. She has also participated in the geography bee, and is the secretary of the student council. Please join me in welcoming Yesenia Pantoja.

Ryan Dattilio

This inductee has participated in many after school activities such as robotics club, cross country, academic challenge, and boy scouts. He also took part in the spelling bee and geography bee. He has helped out at the Pack 48 pinewood derby, sorting food to give to Big Reach, Troop 22 services projects, and is the lead-tech for the school play. This inductee also received the award Arrow of Light from cub scouts, and maintains a 3.89 GPA. Please join me in welcoming Ryan Dattilio.

Katrina Kaszowski

This inductee is very active in her community, helping Mrs. Zelonish, the local public library, Joshua Dixon's Spring Fling, a fashion show, and babysitting while managing a 4.0 GPA and perfect attendance. She also participated in the electronics club, academic challenge, and the geography bee, as well as played soccer for three years. Congratulations Katrina Kaszowski.



Devin reads:

This next Inductee is a leader among his peers. He was elected to student council his 7th grade year, was selected as a principal advisor and has been awarded twice as student of the month. He participates in DI and academic challenges. He has a passion for football and shares that passion with others by sponsoring football scholarships. When he's not on the football field this inductee can also be found on stage at Main Street Theatre or in the lobby passing out programs. He serves his community as a student ambassador for Heroes with Halos, camp counselor for the production of "James and the Giant Peach", he volunteers at special needs balls and color runs just to name a few. He runs his own business, while maintaining a 3.8035 GPA, and was recently awarded Student Citizen of the year by the Columbiana Chamber of Commerce. Please welcome Liam Surgenavic into National Junior Honor Society.

This inductee is very active in her school and community. Here at Columbiana Middle School she is active in school plays, a member of DI, part of the Columbiana Middle School Cheer team and she has participated in the school Spelling Bee and book club. In our community she is an active leader in girl scouts and in many of the plays held at Crown Theatre. This inductee has over 90 hours of community service, many of which were spent as an attendant for the special needs play held at our local theatre. Her compassion for others is demonstrated through her participation in "The Sandy Hook Promise" where she took steps to educate herself to recognize the signs to prevent school violence. She is a standout in the classroom maintaining a 4.0 grade

point average and was selected as a student of the month. Please join me in welcoming Ainsley Kocanjer to National Junior Honor Society.

Vivian reads:

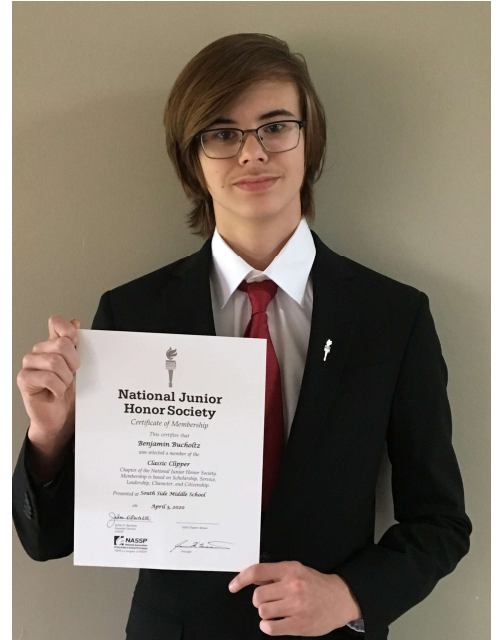
This inductee is extremely active in our school and community. This inductee stays busy by being in the Geography Bee and Academic Challenge for two years in a row and has also been involved in school musicals for three years with leading roles. They have also been a part of color guard and have been involved in student council for three years. Outside of school they have been involved in many things including crown theater productions, the Columbiana Christmas parade and has spent a lot of time helping at Zion Lutheran Church. This inductee was also involved in the Mill Creek Park Painting and played softball with an undefeated season. They enjoy spending their free time helping the elderly, whether it's at a nursing home or making cards for them at school, they are always willing to help and strive to make a difference. Please welcome our next inductee, Katie Ervin!

The next inductee is very active in our school and community. In school she has participated in multiple school plays and has had the honor to perform as main characters. This inductee has also been a part of English festival at YSU. Outside of school she participates in lots of plays, art camps and also being an usher at crown theater. Whether it's for her own enjoyment or to help out in special needs productions, she's there. She also appears caroling and raising money for a wheel chair lift at crown theater with her girl scouts troop. This inductee uses her gifts to help the community be a happier place and is always willing to help a friend. Please welcome Morgan Boley into NJHS.



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This inductee is very active in and out of school. He is active in the Columbiana High School Marching band, Jazz band, Pep Band, and Solo and ensemble. He is outstanding in the community as he helps his neighbors by taking out their trash, serving at fish fries, taking part in a homeless and even more to list. He has accomplished being first chair in our high school band. He is involved with plenty of extra-curricular activities including being part of the Loweville youth group, participating in fish fries at St. Jude's church and participating in CCD at church. He was the leader of his robotics team by walking them through the processes. Even being as busy as he is, he has maintained a 3.9 GPA. Please help me welcome Benjamin Bucholtz into NJHS.



This inductee is very active in school as well as out of school. He has been a part of the student council since seventh grade and has even become the assistant secretary. He has participated out of school in the Panerathon and the Christmas Giant Eagle Raffle. You can see him participating in Columbiana Youth Baseball and a variety of swimming teams. He has been student of the month in seventh and eighth grade. He has helped others move into a new house when it wasn't easy. He also stuffed military stockings and helped make blankets. Throughout his middle school career, he has maintained a 4.0 GPA. Please help me welcome Colin Keleman into NJHS.





This inductee is very active in and out of the classroom. He has qualified for the geography bee twice in his middle school career so far. He has taken part in the radio program, academic challenge and the Jog-a-thon. He is very active at his church where he has served as an altar server and at fish fries. He has participated in the Columbiana Youth Baseball program, Crystal Dragon Karate, NEO Flag Football, CASA Soccer and the Salem Community Center indoor soccer league. This is a very hard working student in and out of the classroom who would love to help others out which NJHS will allow him to do. Please help me welcome William Bucci into NJHS.

CHLOE L READS

While actively working with and giving back to the community, this inductee has also devoted her time to her schoolwork and activities. This student has balanced her schedule all while maintaining an impressive 4.0 GPA. She has been a participant in the geography bee for three years, has gone to the YSU English Festival twice, and also made time for the book club. She has joined Academic Challenge this year as well. Outside of school, you will find this inductee playing for not one, but two softball teams, as well as two volleyball teams. She is also a player for the Satisfaction of Youth Soccer Team. In addition to being physically and academically active, this student has been awarded Student of the Month, the Bookworm Award, and the 212° Award at volleyball camp. She gives back to her community by volunteering for the Columbiana Youth Baseball concessions, the Everyone's Welcome Church's Vacation Bible Study, and the Spring Fling. She also works the CASA concessions and volunteers for the Columbiana Softball Tournament. This straight A student has worked hard for her grades and her spot in NJHS. Please welcome Maria Malcomson into the National Junior Honor Society.



This inductee has found the time to participate in school activities and give to her community, while at the same time, maintaining her wonderful 4.0 GPA. This year, her school basketball and volleyball teams have both emerged with an undefeated season. During that time, she is also a member of the student council. And in sixth grade, she was a participant in Destination Imagination. Also in sixth grade, she was awarded Student of the Month. Outside of school, this inductee plays for a recreational and travel softball team, as well as playing volleyball and basketball. In addition to all of that, this student gives back to her community by volunteering for the Trunk or Treat, the band show, and helping with the Christmas Parade for two years. She has also volunteered with the Youth Ministry/Fish fry and student orientation. She can be found assisting with different play programs as well. Please help me welcome Maryn Hepler to the National Junior Honor Society.

While maintaining a 4.0 GPA and participating in out of school activities, this inductee has managed to help out her community as well. This year, she took fourth place in the spelling bee and was sent to county. During this time, she was also a band aid, the chorus leader in the School House Rock play, and member of the Amateur Radio Club. She was also a member of Academic Challenge. Outside of school, this inductee participated in The Belonging, the GCC Clean-Up Crew, and GLOW, as well as recreational softball. This student was also awarded the 1000 Pages Award in sixth grade. Also in sixth grade, she was a member of the basketball team, where they were the JGITCL champions. As she is an active leader, she is also a member of the student council and the GCC Praise Team. To help her community, this inductee has volunteered with the Crown Theater's productions of "Shrek" and "Once On This Island". She has helped at the library, her church, and the Columbiana Friends Book Fair, all while taking CPR classes. Please congratulate and welcome Leah Yarwood into the National Junior Honor Society.



MADDOX reads:



The next inductee has competed in the spelling bee three times and placed third this year. He has been playing basketball since he was in kindergarten. His teammates give him the nickname “Trade Master.” He competed with the academic challenge team this year and has participated in the jog-a-thon this year and last. His community service activities include helping set up a library book sale, helping Miss Hatch move, helping with some fish fries at St. Jude’s in Columbiana. He also helped out the youth basketball tournament. A few of his accomplishments include being named as student of the month, runner up in the Glacier Invitational baseball tournament, and first place in the EYO all-star tournament. Some extracurricular activities he has done are Columbiana basketball tournament 3v3, St. Jude passion play. and CYB baseball. In addition to all this, he has supervised St. Jude Vacation Bible School and worked with younger players at Glaciers. We are pleased to induct Alex Eusebio.

Balancing a 3.95 GPA, this student athlete remains busy both in and out of school. He participated in both the spelling and geography bees, the school reading club and was a part of the Academic Challenge team. A member of the school’s cross country team, he placed second in the Pumpkin Pie 5K for his age group this year and also was on the 7th grade basketball team. Outside of school, he is very involved with his church serving as a leader for his junior youth ministry. He also participated in their annual Chili Cook Off. For the last two years, he has enjoyed time at the public library engaging in their Chips and Chatter book club and on the ball field playing with Columbiana Youth Baseball. Please welcome Eli Masters as a new member of NJHS.



ROCCO reads:

This inductee plays four sports while maintaining a 3.39 GPA. He participated in the school play, acting his way into one of the lead roles. He also participated in the honor choir, Destination Imagination, basketball, baseball, football, golf, and Student Council. He placed second in the Valley Golf Tournament. He also participated in choir and went to Kennywood and got a 1st place trophy in the Choir Competition. He also participated in the English Festival. Please join me in welcoming Samuel Owens to NJHS.



Balancing a 4.0 GPA, this inductee has participated in multiple activities both in and out of school and as well as having provided various community services. He participated in the Academic Challenge, the Jog A Thon, lifting, Book Club, Power Meet, Intramurals, as well as playing baseball. He has helped at the baseball Field day, the public library book sale set up, and the sale itself, as well as raising money by running Kids of Steel marathon. Please give a warm welcome to Drew Eusebio as he joins NJHS.



This inductee has participated in four sports and maintained a 3.6 GPA. He has participated in Destination Imagination, junior high football, wrestling, field events at track meets, golf and competed on the F.A.S.T swim team. He has done lots of out of school service including the Big Reach Food drive, painting fire hydrants, Joy of Christmas ticket taker, collected trash in the park, and helped at the annual Spring Fling at Joshua Dixon. Please help me welcome Bryce Ebben to NJHS.

Again, congratulations to our newly inducted NJHS members.