



CHATTERTON MIDDLE SCHOOL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY BYLAWS

ARTICLE I: NAME AND PURPOSE

SECTION 1 – THE NAME OF THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE THE CHATTERTON JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY.

SECTION 2 – THE PURPOSE OF THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE TO CREATE AN ENTHUSIASM FOR SCHOLARSHIP, TO STIMULATE A DESIRE TO RENDER SERVICE, TO PROMOTE WORTHY LEADERSHIP, AND CITIZENSHIP, AND TO ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT OF CHARACTER IN STUDENTS OF CHATTERTON MIDDLE SCHOOL.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1 – MEMBERSHIP IN THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE KNOWN AS ACTIVE AND HONORARY. HONORARY MEMBERS BECOME GRADUATE MEMBERS AT THE COMPLETION OF 8TH GRADE. GRADUATE AND HONORARY MEMBERS HAVE NO VOICE OR VOTE IN CHAPTER AFFAIRS.

SECTION 2 – MEMBERSHIP IN THIS CHAPTER IS AN HONOR BESTOWED UPON DESERVING STUDENTS BY THE FACULTY, AND SHALL BE BASED ON THE CRITERIA OF SCHOLARSHIP, LEADERSHIP, SERVICE, CITIZENSHIP, AND CHARACTER.

SECTION 3 – ELIGIBILITY

- A. CANDIDATES ELIGIBLE FOR SELECTION TO THIS CHAPTER MUST BE IN GRADES SIX, SEVEN OR EIGHT.**
- B. TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR SELECTION TO MEMBERSHIP IN THIS CHAPTER, THE CANDIDATE MUST HAVE BEEN IN ATTENDANCE FOR A PERIOD OF ONE SEMESTER AT CHATTERTON MIDDLE SCHOOL.**
- C. CANDIDATES ELIGIBLE FOR SELECTION TO THE CHAPTER SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM CUMULATIVE GPA OF 3.72 FOR ALL CLASSES. A GPA OF 3.50 WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR STUDENTS TAKING ADVANCED ALGEBRA FOR HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT. THIS SCHOLASTIC LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT SHALL REMAIN FIXED, AND SHALL BE THE REQUIRED MINIMUM LEVEL OF SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT FOR ADMISSION TO CANDIDACY. ALL STUDENTS WHO CAN RISE IN SCHOLARSHIP TO OR ABOVE SUCH STANDARD MAY BE ADMITTED TO CANDIDACY FOR SELECTION TO MEMBERSHIP.**

- D. CANDIDATES MUST CARRY OUTSTANDING (O) OR SATISFACTORY (S) CITIZENSHIP MARKS IN ALL CLASSES. NO SUSPENSIONS OR RECORD OF AGGRESSIVE DEMEANING BEHAVIORS.
- E. UPON MEETING THE GRADE LEVEL, ATTENDANCE, AND GPA STANDARD REQUIREMENTS, CANDIDATES SHALL THEN BE CONSIDERED BASED ON THEIR SERVICE, LEADERSHIP, CITIZENSHIP, AND CHARACTER.

ARTICLE III: SELECTION OF MEMBERS

SECTION 1 – THE SELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE BY POINT SYSTEM ACCORDING TO YOUR APPLICATION AND TEACHER RECOMMENDATIONS.

SECTION 2 – PRIOR TO SELECTION, THE FOLLOWING SHALL OCCUR:

- A. STUDENTS' ACADEMIC RECORDS SHALL BE REVIEWED TO DETERMINE SCHOLASTIC ELIGIBILITY.
- B. STUDENTS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE SCHOLASTICALLY ("CANDIDATES") SHALL BE NOTIFIED AND ASKED TO COMPLETE AND SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION FOR SELECTION:
 - STUDENT APPLICATION FORM
 - STUDENT ESSAY
 - (3) TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORMS
- C. THE ADVISORS WILL EVALUATE CANDIDATES DETERMINED TO BE SCHOLASTICALLY ELIGIBLE USING AN EVALUATION FORM.
- D. THE ADVISORS SHALL REVIEW THE STUDENT APPLICATION, STUDENT ESSAY, AND THE THREE TEACHER RECOMMENDATIONS IN ORDER TO DETERMINE MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 3 – THE SELECTION OF NEW ACTIVE MEMBERS SHALL BE HELD ONCE A YEAR DURING SECOND TRIMESTER FOR THAT SCHOOL YEAR.

SECTION 4 – CANDIDATES BECOME MEMBERS WHEN INDUCTED AT A SPECIAL CEREMONY.

SECTION 5-A CERTIFICATE AND/OR PINNING CEREMONY WILL TAKE PLACE AFTER THE COMPLETION AND ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF ACADEMIC YEAR IN CJHS.

SECTION 6 – ONCE SELECTED AND INDUCTED, ALL MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED TO MAINTAIN THE STANDARDS BY WHICH THEY WERE SELECTED AND MAINTAIN ALL OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 7 – AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE CHATTERTON JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY WHO TRANSFERS FROM THIS SCHOOL WILL BE GIVEN A LETTER INDICATING THE STATUS OF HIS OR HER MEMBERSHIP AND SIGNED BY THE PRINCIPAL OR CJHS ADVISORS.

ARTICLE IV: DISCIPLINE AND DISMISSAL

SECTION 1 – ANY MEMBER WHO FALLS BELOW THE STANDARDS OF SCHOLARSHIP, LEADERSHIP, CHARACTER, CITIZENSHIP, OR SERVICE MAY BE CONSIDERED FOR DISMISSAL FROM THE CHATTERTON MIDDLE SCHOOL CHAPTER OF THE JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY. A MEMBER OF THE CHATTERTON JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY IS EXPECTED TO MAINTAIN HIS OR HER ACADEMIC STANDING AND TAKE AN ACTIVE ROLE IN SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP TO HIS OR HER SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY.

SECTION 2 – IF A MEMBER’S CUMULATIVE GPA AT CHATTERTON MIDDLE SCHOOL FALLS BELOW 3.72, HE OR SHE WILL BE GIVEN A WRITTEN WARNING AND ONE SEMESTER FOR MAKING IMPROVEMENT. IF THE CUMULATIVE GPA REMAINS BELOW 3.72 AT THE END OF THE WARNING TRIMESTER, THE STUDENT WILL BE SUBJECT TO FURTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION BY THE, WHICH MAY INCLUDE CONSIDERATION OF DISMISSAL FROM THE CHAPTER.

SECTION 3 – IF A MEMBER FAILS TO PERFORM ANY OF THE PUBLISHED OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP, HE OR SHE WILL BE GIVEN A WRITTEN WARNING AND A TIME PERIOD FOR IMPROVEMENT. IF THE OBLIGATION REMAINS UNMET AT THE END OF THE WARNING PERIOD, THE STUDENT WILL BE SUBJECT TO FURTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION, WHICH MAY INCLUDE DISMISSAL FROM THE CHAPTER.

SECTION 4A-A VIOLATION OF THE LAW OR SCHOOL REGULATIONS CAN RESULT IN DISMISSAL OF A MEMBER. THESE VIOLATIONS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO: STEALING; DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY; CHEATING; TRUANCY; OR POSSESSION, SELLING OR BEING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRUGS OR ALCOHOL AT SCHOOL OR SCHOOL – RELATED ACTIVITIES.

SECTION 4B-STUDENTS IN CJHS CANNOT RECEIVE MORE THAN TWO DISCIPLINE SLIPS DURING A SCHOOL YEAR OR THEY WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR DISMISSAL FROM CJHS. STUDENTS MUST REPORT ANY VIOLATIONS OF RULES OR SCHOOL REGULATIONS TO THE CJHS FACULTY ADVISERS.

SECTION 5 – OFFENDERS OF THE SCHOOL CONDUCT CODE (SUCH AS USE OF PROFANITY, FAILURE TO COMPLY, UNEXCUSED ABSENCES, EXCESSIVE TARDINESS, ETC.) MUST REPORT THESE INFRACTIONS TO THE CJHS FACULTY ADVISORS AS SOON AS THEY OCCUR AND HE OR SHE WILL RECEIVE WRITTEN WARNING NOTIFICATION FROM THE ADVISORS. IF THE MEMBER IS INVOLVED IN ANOTHER VIOLATION OF THE SCHOOL CONDUCT CODE, THE MEMBER MAY BE CONSIDERED FOR DISMISSAL.

SECTION 6 – IN ALL CASES OF PENDING DISMISSAL:

- A. THE MEMBER WILL RECEIVE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION INDICATING THE REASON FOR POSSIBLE DISMISSAL FROM THE ADVISORS. THE MEMBER AND ADVISORS WILL DISCUSS THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION. SITUATIONS THAT INVOLVE FLAGRANT VIOLATIONS OF SCHOOL RULES OR THE LAW CAN WARRANT DISCIPLINARY ACTION WITHOUT A WRITTEN WARNING.**
- B. THE MEMBER WILL BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO RESPOND TO THE CHARGE AGAINST HIM OR HER AT A HEARING BEFORE THE PRINCIPALS AND THE ADVISORS PRIOR TO THE DECISION ON DISMISSAL. THE MEMBER IS REQUIRED TO REQUEST SAID HEARING.**
- C. DISMISSED MEMBERS MUST SURRENDER ANY MEMBERSHIP EMBLEMS AND CERTIFICATES TO THE ADVISORS.**
- D. WHEN A STUDENT IS DISMISSED OR RESIGNS, HE OR SHE IS NO LONGER A MEMBER AND MAY NOT BE RECONSIDERED FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE CHATTERTON JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR. IF A STUDENT RESIGNS A WRITTEN NOTIFICATION IS REQUIRED FOR OUR FILES.**

ARTICLE VII: MEETINGS

SECTION 1 – MEETINGS OF THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE MONTHLY. THESE MEETINGS WILL BE ANNOUNCED PRIOR TO ANY MEETING DATES. MEETINGS WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE MEDIA CENTER AT CHATTERTON MIDDLE SCHOOL BEGINNING AT 2:45 A.M.

DISMISSAL TIMES WILL VARY. STUDENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRANSPORTATION BACK HOME WILL BE ALLOWED IN ADVANCE.

SECTION 2 – ALL CHAPTER MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND ALL REGULARLY SCHEDULED CHAPTER MEETINGS. YOU MAY HAVE TWO EXCUSED ABSENCES FROM MEETINGS PER YEAR WITH 24 HOUR NOTICE OR WITH A PARENT NOTE IN THE CASE OF AN EMERGENCY. ABSENCES MAY ALSO BE DISCUSSED PRIOR WITH A FACULTY ADVISOR. EXCESSIVE ABSENCES FROM CHAPTER MEETINGS CAN RESULT IN DISMISSAL FROM CJHS.

ARTICLE VIII: ACTIVITIES

SECTION 1 – THE CHAPTER SHALL DETERMINE ONE OR MORE SERVICE PROJECTS FOR EACH YEAR.

SECTION 2 – ALL MEMBERS SHALL REGULARLY PARTICIPATE IN THESE PROJECTS.

SECTION 3 – THESE PROJECTS SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING CHARACTERISTICS: FULFILL A NEED WITHIN THE SCHOOL OR COMMUNITY; HAVE THE SUPPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND THE FACULTY; BE APPROPRIATE AND EDUCATIONALLY DEFENSIBLE; AND BE WELL PLANNED, ORGANIZED, AND EXECUTED.

SECTION 4 – EACH MEMBER SHALL HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR CHOOSING AND PARTICIPATING IN AN INDIVIDUAL SERVICE PROJECT OF A MINIMUM OF FIVE HOURS DURING EACH SCHOOL YEAR THAT REFLECTS HIS OR HER PARTICULAR TALENTS AND INTERESTS AND AS APPROVED BY THE CHAPTER ADVISER. THIS IS IN ADDITION TO THE CHAPTER PROJECTS TO WHICH ALL MEMBERS MUST CONTRIBUTE.

SECTION 5 – THE CHAPTER SHALL PUBLICIZE ITS PROJECTS IN A POSITIVE MANNER.

ARTICLE IX: EMBLEM

SECTION 1 – EACH MEMBER OF THIS CHAPTER WHO IS IN GOOD STANDING WITH REGARD TO THE MEMBERSHIP STANDARDS AND MEMBER OBLIGATIONS SHALL HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF WEARING THE EMBLEM ADOPTED BY THE CHATTERTON JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY. A PINNING/CERTIFICATE CEREMONY WILL BE SCHEDULED AND HELD WITH THE CJHS MEMBERS. THIS CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT THE END OF THE COMPLETION OF ONE ACADEMIC YEAR IN CJHS, AND WILL TAKE PLACE IN JUNE.

ARTICLE X: POWERS

SECTION 1 – THE CHAPTER ADVISORS ARE GIVEN THE AUTHORITY TO SUPERVISE THE ADMINISTRATION OF CJHS ACTIVITIES, AS DELEGATED BY THE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.

SECTION 2 – THE PRINCIPAL SHALL RESERVE THE RIGHT TO APPROVE ALL ACTIVITIES AND DECISIONS OF CJHS.

SECTION 3 – THESE BYLAWS ARE DESIGNED TO AMPLIFY PROVISIONS OF THE CJHS CHAPTER CONSTITUTION AND CANNOT CONTRADICT ANY COMPONENTS THEREOF.

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