

Constitution
of the
Arrows Chapter
of the
National Junior Honor
Society



Tecumseh Middle School
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New Carlisle, Ohio

Article I

Name and Purpose

- Section 1. The name of this chapter shall be the “Arrows Chapter” of the National Junior Honor Society of the Tecumseh Middle School.
- Section 2. The purpose of this chapter shall be to create an enthusiasm for super scholarship; to develop citizenship; to stimulate a desire to serve; to promote leadership; and to instill exemplary qualities of character.

Article II

Membership

- Section 1. Membership in this chapter shall be based upon scholarship, character, leadership, citizenship, and service.
- Section 2. The election of members to this chapter shall be by the entire faculty of by a faculty council, with the principal acting as adviser.
- Section 3. To be eligible for election to membership in this chapter, the candidate must have been in attendance at this school for a period equivalent to one semester.
- Section 4. Candidates eligible for election to this chapter must be in the seventh and eighth grades. Candidates eligible for election to the chapter shall have a minimum scholarship average of “A” or 3.5 equivalent. This scholastic level of achievement shall remain fixed and shall be the required minimum scholastic level of achievement for admission to candidacy. All students who can rise in scholarship to or above such standard may be admitted to candidacy for election to membership. Candidates shall then be considered on the basis of citizenship, service, leadership, and character.
- Section 5. All members shall be inducted into the Society with impressive and appropriate ceremonies.
- Section 6. A member of the national Junior Honor Society who transfers to this school will be automatically accepted for membership in this chapter, upon presentation of a letter signed by his former principal certifying membership. In order to retain membership, a transfer member must then maintain the membership requirements for this chapter.
- Section 7. A member of the National Junior Honor Society who transfers from this school will be given a letter indicating the status of his membership, signed by the principal.
- Section 8. Any member whose grade point average falls below 3.2 shall be promptly warned. If, during the next regular marking period of the school, the member fails to meet this standard his/her case shall be passed upon by the faculty council. Once a member has been dismissed, he is never again eligible for membership in the National Junior Honor Society. A majority vote of the faculty council shall be necessary for dismissal.

Article III

Faculty Supervision

- Section 1. The principal shall appoint a teacher who will serve as the chapter adviser.
- Section 2. The faculty or faculty council of no fewer than three (3) faculty members appointed by the principal will meet with the principal for the election or dismissal of members.
- Section 3. All activities of the chapter shall be subject to the approval of the principal.

Article IV

Officers

- Section 1. The officers of this chapter shall be a president, vice-president, secretary, and a treasurer.
- Section 2. Officers shall be elected by the members of a regular meeting of the National Junior Honor Society and shall not be eligible to succeed themselves.
- Section 3. A majority of votes cast shall be necessary to elect any officers in this chapter.
- Section 4. It shall be the duty of the president to preside at the meetings.
- Section 5. The vice-president shall preside in the absence of the president.
- Section 6. The secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings. He/She shall, with the approval of the principal or adviser, certify to the secretary of the National Council the names of those elected to membership during the school year on the annual report submitted each spring to the national secretary.
- Section 7. The treasurer shall, with approval of the adviser or principal, receive and disburse all funds of the chapter, keep accurate account of receipts and disbursements in keeping with the policy of the school for handling funds of school organizations.

Article V

Executive Committee

- Section 1. The executive committee shall consist of the principal and/or the faculty adviser and the officers of the chapter.
- Section 2. The executive committee shall have general charge of the meetings and business of the chapter, but any action on the part of the executive committee shall be subject to review by the chapter membership, except that the dismissal of members is the exclusive duty of the faculty or faculty council.
- Section 3. The president of the chapter shall act as chairman of the executive committee.

Article VI

Meetings

- Section 1. There shall be regular meetings of this chapter during the school year.
- Section 2. Special meetings, approved by the executive committee may be called by the president.
- Section 3. All meetings shall be open meetings and shall be held under the supervision of the principal or the faculty adviser.

Article VII

Dues

- Section 1. Annual chapter dues for each member shall be paid from money raised by chapter activities.

Article VIII

Emblem

- Section 1. Each member of this chapter shall be entitled to wear the official emblem or insignia of the National Junior Honor Society.
- Section 2. Any member who withdraws or who is dismissed from the chapter shall return the emblem to the principal or adviser.
- Section 3. Each member agrees that, whether the emblem comes to him as a gift, a personal purchase, an award, or from whatever source, the title to the emblem shall rest with the chapter of which his is a member. The council can, therefore, by a majority vote, request that any member return the emblem. In case where the emblem can be shown to have been a personal purchase of the member, the council shall reimburse the member the original cost of the emblem upon its surrender. Furthermore, each member agrees that his acceptance of the emblem shall be considered affirmation of this stipulation in regard to the title of the emblem.
- Section 4. All insignia must be procured from the national secretary of the National Junior Honor Society, 1904 Association Drive, Reston, Virginia 22091. All insignia are registered in the United States Patent Office.

Article IX

Amendments

- Section 1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the chapter, provided that the proposed amendments have been approved by the executive committee and the faculty or faculty council. The amendment must then be submitted to the National Council for approval.