

## **PCK NJHS Member in Good Standing Status**

The five pillars of NJHS are Scholarship, Leadership, Service, Citizenship, and Character. The PCK chapter of NJHS is committed to maintaining the highest standards of conduct in all members. A member in good standing is invited to enjoy all of the benefits of being in NJHS: attending meetings, participating in community service projects and school activities, and receiving letters of recommendation (for high school or other organizations) from NJHS advisors.

We anticipate all members of NJHS to strive to make the school and community a better place by serving others, maintaining a positive attitude in difficult situations, and maintaining the strictest standards for conduct inside and outside of the PCK environment. If a student is suspected of misconduct, there will be several steps taken to understand the situation and determine whether the student will lose his or her status as a member in good standing. The advisors and the student officers will meet with the student to clarify the incident. Afterward, they will vote for whether the student is to remain a participating member in the PCK chapter of NJHS.

The following conduct is expected as a member of good standing in NJHS:

- Scholarship – members must maintain 93% GPA. Misconduct such as cheating or plagiarism would require a review by NJHS advisors.
- Leadership – members must act as leaders in the PCK community and be respectful to the elected officers, chapter advisors and PCK staff. Blatant disrespect or being unwilling to participate in school leadership activities may require a review of a member's status.
- Service – members must be willing to participate in community service activities when possible.
- Citizenship – members must participate in and attend meetings, bring new ideas forward for group consideration, and be willing to join in chapter activities.
- Character – members are expected to be role models for the rest of the school. Instances of bullying, vandalism, or other misconduct would necessitate a review of the member's standing in NJHS.

## PCK NJHS Member in Good Standing Status (Cont.)

A member in good standing:

- Can participate in NJHS activities including meetings
- Can participate in NJHS-organized community service events
- Participates in the induction ceremony for new members
- Can receive letters of reference for NJHS from the chapter coordinator for high school admission/club membership
- Can run for officer positions

In order to remain a member in good standing in NJHS, a student must:

- Maintain A's or B's in all core subjects, including Spanish
- Have no incidents of cheating, including giving homework to others to copy or copying homework from others
- Community Service - participate in 2 community service events ***above the mandatory community service for PCK*** each semester
- Attend NJHS lunch meetings
- Demonstrate character and appropriate behavior at all times in and out of school, including but not limited to field trips, meetings, assemblies, classes, sports activities and events, and after school activities
- Represent the PCK community in character and academics to the highest expectation

NJHS is an elite organization and is a source of pride for students, parents, and the school. We look forward to your application and participation.