

Florence Stiles Middle School Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society Application Packet 2024 –2025

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Please send any Stiles NJHS related questions or comments to: fsms.njhs@leanderisd.org.

To be considered for Stiles NJHS, you must have received an invitation to apply for membership. Invitations are given to students with a minimum cumulative core grade point average of 90.00% for the first four grading periods of the 7th grade year. Applicants must have been enrolled at Stiles Middle School for at least one semester of their 7th grade year. Additionally, you are required to complete all sections found in this application packet.

Due Date:

No application packets will be accepted <u>after 4:45 PM on Tuesday, March 19th, 2024.</u> Incomplete packets will <u>not</u> be reviewed or considered for membership.

Where to Submit Packet:

Personally hand your packet to Mrs. Chenault or Mrs. Torres before school, after school, or during a passing period. DO NOT slide it under their doors, put it on their desks, give it to a friend to deliver, give it to another teacher or sub, or drop it off at the front office. If you have difficulty catching one of the advisors, ask one of your teachers for a pass to their room during class. *Tip: DO NOT wait until the last day to submit your packet! This is not impressive to the advisors.*

Format of Application:

Organize and staple the pages of your packet in the order they appear in this document. Do not turn in binders, folders, or portfolios. If you do not have access to a printer at home, please use the student printer located in the Stiles Library. If printing this application causes a hardship for you, please email the advisors at the address above for assistance. *Tip: Do not wait until the last minute to print!*

Notification:

Our Stiles NJHS Faculty Council will review your application packet for approval. The applicant will be notified of the decision by email on <u>Friday</u>, <u>April 12th at 5:00 PM</u>. Parents will be copied on the email. Please be advised that submitting your application <u>does not</u> guarantee automatic selection to Stiles NJHS. Each application will be blindly evaluated by the council.

New Member Induction Ceremony:

If you are selected as a member, you will be expected to join us at the Stiles NJHS Induction Ceremony in the Life Tidge High School auditorium on the evening of **Thursday, May 16th.** More information to come.

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Teacher Evaluation Submission Sheet

Send a considerate email to two of your current <u>CORE</u> 7th grade teachers, asking them to fill out this brief reference form on your behalf. Core teachers are ELA, Social Studies, Science, or Math. NO electives, including Extensions or Quest. Copy and paste the following link to the form below into your email. Please do not bug your teachers about doing this. *Rushed emails with spelling and grammar errors are not impressive to your teachers or your possible future NJHS advisors. As an honor society candidate, you should take the time to write a properly-composed email with an appropriate subject line.*

Suggested email format:
Hello, My name is and I am in your period class. I have been invited to apply to Stiles NJHS, and I am writing to ask if you could fill out a teacher reference form for me. The form is linked here Thank you!
Teacher Evaluation Form: https://forms.gle/wtmsiAUmbRbbWPe88
Teacher Evaluation Submission Information- to be filled out by the candidate:
Student Name (first and last): Samiksh Baid
ID #: 962919
Teacher #1's last name: Ludtke
Subject taught: Social Studies
Day and date emailed to teacher: Tuesday, March 5th, 2024
Teacher #2's last name: Rodriguez
Subject taught: ELA

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and date emailed to teacher: Tuesday, March 5th, 2024

Candidate Information Form

Directions:

Please complete all sections. Do not be modest. All information will be used by the faculty council to assist with the fair consideration of your candidacy during the selection process. Completion of this form does not guarantee selection. Should you have questions about this form, please contact the chapter advisors at fsms.njhs@leanderisd.org.

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I. Leadership Pillar

List all elected or appointed leadership positions you have held in school, community, or work activities. Only those positions in which you were responsible for directing or motivating others should be included. Examples: elected officer for the student body, class, or club; committee chairperson; team captain; newspaper editor; work area manager; or other community leader.

A student exercises leadership when he or she:

- Is resourceful in proposing new solutions, applying principles, and making suggestions
- Demonstrates initiative in promoting school or community activities
- Exercises positive influence on peers in upholding school ideals and spirit
- Contributes ideas that improve the civic life of the school or community
- Is able to delegate responsibilities
- Inspires positive behavior in others
- Demonstrates academic initiative
- Successfully holds school offices or community positions of responsibility; conducts business effectively and efficiently; demonstrates reliability and dependability
- Is a leader in the classroom, at work, or in other school or community activities
- Is dependable in any responsibility accepted

Please include the name and contact information (phone number or email address) of the adult responsible for supervising your leadership in each position. It is not required to complete all of the rows.

Activity	Grade	Adult Sponsor Name and Contact Information
Stiles Leadership Class	6 7	Rachel Mcdougle- rachel.mcdougle@leanderisd.org

II. Service Pillar

List service activities in which you have participated. These can be individual or group service projects done either in or out of school. Generally speaking, service activities are those that are done for or on behalf of others (not including immediate family members) for which no compensation (monetary or other) has been given. Also list the estimated number of hours you invested while performing this service.

The student who serves:

- Volunteers and provides dependable and well-organized assistance and is willing to make sacrifices to offer assistance Works well with others and is willing to take on difficult or inconspicuous responsibilities
- Enthusiastically renders any requested service to the school
- Is willing to represent the class or school in interclass and interscholastic competition
- Does committee and staff work without complaint
- Participates in some activity outside of school, for example, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, religious groups, volunteer services for the elderly or disadvantaged
- Mentors in the community or students at other schools
- Shows courtesy by assisting visitors, teachers, and student

Please include the name and contact information (phone number or email address) of the adult responsible for supervising your participation in each activity. It is not required to complete all of the rows.

Activity	Hours	Grade	Adult Sponsor
		6 7	Name and Contact Information
Leander Public Library	8	7	Carey Kipp-512-259-5259
Pet Sitting	3	7	Priyanka R 323-376-2912
Yard Cleaning	2	7	Abhijit Borah - 737-217-3799

III. Other Student Activities

List all other school-based activities (*not* noted above) in which you have participated in school. Include clubs, teams, musical groups, etc., and any significant accomplishments in each.

Please include the name and contact information (phone number or email address) of the adult responsible for supervising your participation in each activity. It is not required to complete all of the rows.

Activity	Grade	Adult Sponsor
	6 7	Name and Contact Information
FSMS Chess Club	7	Karen Currie- karen.currie@leanderisd.org
Stiles Science Olympiad	7	Meredith Harris- meredith.harris@leanderisd.org
Pre- Math Olympiad	7	Amy Whitehead-amy.whitehead@leanderisd.org

IV. Other Community Activities

List other community activities in which you have participated and note any major accomplishments in each. These should be any activities outside of school in which you participated for the betterment of your community. For example, religious groups, clubs sponsored outside the school, Boy or Girl Scouts, community art endeavors, etc. Do not repeat participation already listed above.

Please include the name and contact information (phone number or email address) of the adult responsible for supervising your participation in each activity. It is not required to complete all of the rows.

Activity	Grade	Adult Sponsor
	6 7	Name and Contact Information
Lonestar Soccer Club	7	Coach Daniel Rivera-786-863-2288

Master Yang's World Class 6 & 7 Taekwondo	Master David Higgins- (512) 701-4297
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V. Work Experience, Recognition, and Awards

Though work experience, recognition and awards are not a specific criterion for membership, please list below any job experiences, honors, or recognition you have received that may support your candidacy for membership in the Honor Society. Work experience may be paid or volunteer.

Please include the name and contact information (phone number or email address) of the adult responsible for supervising your participation in each activity. It is not required to complete all of the rows.

Activity	Grade	Adult Sponsor
	6 7	Name and Contact Information
USCF Chess Tournament Rating- 600	6	1-800-903-8723

VI. Written Responses

As part of this application, you will answer questions about how you exhibit each of the NJHS pillars. We suggest that you use a Google Doc to draft your responses before pasting them into the <u>Stilles NJHS Application-Written Responses</u> form.