Interested in becoming a member? Read below for more information.

Eligibility

All students interested in membership must be enrolled at a school with an active NJHS chapter and must have completed the equivalent of one semester of enrollment.

Pillars of Membership

- **Scholarship**
  Students must first meet this criterion to become candidates for membership. RSA's chapter requires students to achieve a cumulative GPA of 90% or higher. Then, they will be considered for application.
- **Service**
  This involves voluntary contributions made by a student and done without compensation. Chapters can require evidence of service to either the school, the community or both.
- **Leadership**
  Student leaders are those who are resourceful, good problem solvers, and idea contributors. Leadership experiences can be drawn from school or community activities while working with or for others. Chapters can require evidence of leadership from within school or the community or both.
- **Character**
  The student of good character is cooperative; demonstrates high standards of honesty and reliability; shows courtesy, concern, and respect for others. RSA's NJHS faculty council will review and consider disciplinary records when evaluating this criterion.
- **Citizenship**
  In general, the student who demonstrates citizenship understands the importance of civic engagement; has a high regard for freedom and justice; and respects democracy.

Understanding the Obligations of Membership

Students who accept membership and are inducted into the chapter should be aware of the time and commitment involved with their membership. Chapter obligations are provided after acceptance into the chapter has been established. These obligations will include chapter meetings, service projects and individual service requirements (monthly community service hours). RSA NJHS Chapter dues are $20 that are paid before the induction ceremony and used to cover organization expenses (shirts, field trip, etc.)

Upcoming application and induction for current 6th and 7th graders of RSA who have successfully completed the first semester:

For the 2024-2025 school year, RSA will host one induction ceremony; therefore, before the end of the 2024-2025 school year, an induction ceremony will take place after the application process is completed; however, dates have not been set. Please allow advisers time to plan accordingly. A general timeline is listed below, so scholars and parents are aware of the process.

- Invitations will be delivered to all current 6th and 7th graders who meet the criteria of a cumulative GPA of 90% for the first semester (semester one grades must average to a 90% or higher).
- Approximately one week and a half after invitations are distributed, a MANDATORY parent and student meeting will be held to deliver application documents and answer questions.
- Students will have approximately two weeks to complete the application documents.
- Advisers will collect completed applications during a one-week window. Students MUST turn in applications during this window only. Applications will not be accepted before or after, and instructions regarding turning in applications should be followed. No exceptions will be made.
- The RSA NJHS Faculty Council will meet to review applications.

- Approximately two weeks after applications are turned in, letters of acceptance will be delivered.
- Once accepted, students will meet to discuss Chapter obligations, induction ceremony, and expectations of the organization.
- Induction ceremony will be held for all new inductees.