December 16, 2019

Dear Parents:

It is that time of year where new challenges and opportunities await. There are many honors for excellence in academics. At the middle school level, one of the highest honors is acceptance into Arista, the National Junior Honor Society.

Whether your child is at the beginning of his/her middle school career or is one of our returning seventh/eighth graders, it is important for you to review the requirements for Arista membership with your child. Induction into Arista is an opportunity we extend to our 7th and 8th graders. We believe that 6th grade is a transitional year, and we like to give our students something to reach for as they move up in the grades.

Arista eligibility is determined by several factors:

- A 7th grader may apply if he/she had a 90 average or better in every subject as their final grade in the 6th grade and the 1st and 2nd quarter of 7th grade.
- An 8th grader may apply if he/she had a 90 average or better in every subject as their final grade in the 7th grade and the 1st and 2nd quarter of 8th grade.
- All applicants must have excellent or satisfactory citizenship in all classes. Therefore, any student who receives an N or U in conduct on their report card will not be eligible to apply for Arista. In addition, any student suspended, whether it is a Principal’s or Superintendent’s Suspension, may not apply to Arista.
- Applicants must also fulfill service requirements in school or outside. Service hours will be verified by the Arista Advisors.
- Satisfactory attendance and punctuality.
- Recommendation of three academic subject teachers.

After the second report card, applications will be distributed during homeroom. Please complete the application by March 3, 2020 and return to your homeroom teacher. If you or your child has any questions, please have your child speak with an Arista advisor, Mr. Breslauer (Room 416K) or Ms. Majersky (Room 420G).

Sincerely,

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Jessica Jackson

Revised Arista Requirements