

Dear 7th and 8th Grade Parents and Guardians,

This is a letter to provide you with a brief explanation of CJSF, California Junior Scholar Federation. We encourage all eligible students to apply.

The purpose of the California Junior Scholarship Federation, a statewide organization of over 600 chapters, is to foster high standards of scholarship, service, and citizenship on the part of students of California's public, private and charter junior high and middle schools. CJSF prepares the student for CSF membership, a high school honor club. Membership offers the opportunities to participate in activities, which benefit the school, the community, and the student. CJSF encourages chapters to initiate and participate in community service. These service projects may vary according to the needs of the community and chapters' desire to serve.

At graduation, students who have applied and qualified for CJSF membership for at least two trimesters in their 7th and 8th grade years will receive: a CJSF pin, honor stole, and a seal with the CJSF emblem applied to their diploma or CJSF certificate.

The attached CJSF membership application outlines the qualifications for membership. Application forms must be filled out and returned to the 8th grade homeroom teacher after each trimester.

- Trimester 1 and 2 applications: 7th and 8th graders must turn in applications within 3 weeks of report card distribution.
- Trimester 3 applications: 8th graders must turn in their application from the 7th grade year no later than 4 weeks after the beginning of the new school year.
- All applications must include a copy of the trimester report card.
- Late applications will not be accepted.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

God Bless,

Ms. McGahan
Mrs. Pinasco

California Junior Scholarship Federation

CJSF Membership Application

Name: _____
(Last) (First)

Home Phone (____) _____ - _____

Cell Phone () -

Application for grade: 7 Trimester 1 8 Trimester 1
(Circle one) 7 Trimester 2 8 Trimester 2
7 Trimester 3

A. To qualify for CJSF membership this trimester, follow these guidelines:

1. The seven subjects listed below are the grades you will use to calculate your points.
2. CJSF points are granted as follows:
 - A = 3 points (*A in Honors earns 4 points)
 - B = 1 point (*B in Honors earns 2 points)
 - C = 0 point
 - D/F = will disqualify you from membership if received in ANY CLASS.

B. Please remember:

1. Trimester membership is based on work done (and final grades) from the previous trimester.
2. Attach a COPY of your report card to this application.
3. You must reapply EACH trimester for membership.
4. To earn a gold seal on your diploma and wear a gold stole over your graduation robe, you must have two applications with 7th grade grades and two applications with 8th grade grades that meet the minimum score.

C. List your grades and points below. Students must earn at least 14 points to qualify for CJSF.

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Points</u>
Religion	_____	_____
Science	_____	_____
Math	_____	_____
Language Arts	_____	_____
Social Studies	_____	_____
Spanish	_____	_____
Computers	_____	_____
Total=		_____

* Honors classes are Math and Language Arts 7+ and 8+