The National Junior Beta Club ~ Locust Grove Middle School **2021-2022 Information Sheet for Prospective Members**

What is the Jr. BETA CLUB?

The National Junior Beta Club is an honor organization that recognizes outstanding academic achievement, promotes strong moral character and social responsibility, encourages service to others, fosters leadership skills, and provides settings for you to develop strong interpersonal skills.

Who qualifies for membership in the LGMS JUNIOR BETA CLUB?

Six, seventh and eighth grade students who finish first semester of the 2020-2021 school year with a GREATER than 3.5 GPA <u>AND</u> no grade lower than a "B" who also exemplify strong character, and have maintained role model behavior throughout the first semester are eligible to apply for membership in the Locust Grove Middle School Junior Beta Club.

What are the requirements of membership?

The purpose of Beta Club is "to promote the ideals of academic achievement, character, leadership and service among elementary and secondary school students." With this in mind, students must maintain:

- 1. A GREATER than 3.5 GPA with no grade lower than a B.
- 2. Positive behavior with ZERO office referrals and no more than 2 steps per semester.
- 3. Regular attendance at meetings with a <u>minimum</u> of 1 per month. <u>These meetings are held in the mornings beginning at 8:20</u>. Please keep this in mind when joining.
- 4. Volunteer / Service Hours with a minimum of 10 hours of volunteer work per semester. For the 2021-2022 school year, this requirement has been lowered to 5 hours <u>per semester</u> due to social distance guidelines.

What are the dues for members?

There is a one-time fee of \$30 collected prior to induction for NEW members. This includes a Beta Club t-shirt. Other fees such as fees for convention, field trips etc. will be collected throughout the year if you wish to participate.

How do I apply for membership?

If your final report card for 1st semester reflects a GPA of greater than 3.5 with no grade lower than a "B", you have ZERO office referrals, and you desire to fulfill the Beta Club participation and service requirements, please stop by room 606 (Ms. Collier) to get your application **starting January 19, 2021**. You will need to have TWO teacher recommendations as part of the application process. Applications are DUE to Mrs. Collier or Mrs. Mullvain **no later** than Friday, February 4th.

When will new members be inducted?

Qualified applicants <u>will receive a letter of invitation</u> to join BETA once all applications have been reviewed. On this letter will be the date for the induction ceremony along with additional information on how to pay dues.