At this time, the NJHS candidates will recite the pledge. Candidates, please stand**, (pause**)raise your right hand **(pause**) and repeat after me: **(pause)**

I pledge to uphold the high purposes **(pause)**

 of the National Junior Honor Society **(pause)**

 to which I have been selected. **(pause)**

 I will be true to the principles for which it stands; **(pause)**

I will be loyal to my school; **(pause)**

and I will maintain and encourage **(pause)**

 high standards of **(pause)**

 Scholarship, **(pause)**

Leadership, **(pause)**

Service, **(pause)**

Citizenship, **(pause)**

and Character.

**Thank you. You may be seated.**