

## The National Beta Club ~ Flat Rock Middle School



### Information Sheet & Application for Prospective Members and Parents

#### **What is the BETA CLUB?**

The National 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 students to develop strong interpersonal skills.

#### **Who qualifies for membership in the FRMS JUNIOR BETA CLUB?**

Seventh and eighth grade students with a grade point average of 3.5 (no grade below 80), who also exemplify strong character and have maintained role model behavior, are eligible to apply for membership in the Flat Rock Junior Beta Club.

#### **What are the requirements of membership?**

Each member must attend at least 80% of our monthly meetings (held during EAGLE time generally once a month on Fridays) and participate in at least two service projects, earning a minimum of 25 service hours. Students are strongly encouraged to participate in as many projects as possible since this is the key to leadership development within our organization. For additional information, go to our Beta Club web page at: [http://www.flatrockms.org/beta\\_club.htm](http://www.flatrockms.org/beta_club.htm).

#### **What are the dues for members?**

There is a one-time fee of \$20 collected prior to induction. This includes a \$15 national induction fee and \$5 local dues. Returning members only pay \$5 local dues. Local dues are payable at the beginning of each year of membership and are used to pay for club expenses during the year. You may wish to explore the National Beta Club website at [www.betaclub.org](http://www.betaclub.org) to learn more about the benefits that are included in the induction fee. **Fees are due: February 21, 2020.**

#### **How do I apply for membership?**

If your final report card from the sixth or seventh grade reflects a 3.5 grade point average, and you desire to fulfill the Beta Club participation and service requirements, please complete the attached application form and ask *two* teachers to complete the attached recommendation forms. At least one of the recommending teachers should be from this year.

#### **How will I know I have been accepted into the Beta Club?**

Invitations for accepted students will be distributed during homeroom by Wednesday, January 15, 2020. After invitations are distributed, you will have until Friday, January 31st to return your induction sheet and \$20 dues to Mrs. M. Williams in anticipation of the induction ceremony.

## National Jr. Beta Club Student Application Form ~ Flat Rock Middle School

**Directions:** Complete all sections - please print legibly. As soon as possible, write your name and recommending teacher names on the next page and give the recommendation forms to your teachers.

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's E-mail address (if any): \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Homeroom Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

**VERY IMPORTANT**~Names of the two teachers who will be submitting recommendations for you:

Recommending Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ Recommending Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Section 2 – Activities and Awards**

We recognize that you are in middle school and your list of activities and awards may be short at this point in your life; however, it is important for you to begin thinking about the importance of participating in activities that will demonstrate to others that you have potential for success. These activities should demonstrate strong moral character and scholarship, along with a service orientation and leadership potential.

***School Activities & Awards:*** List all school activities in which you have participated during elementary and middle school. Include clubs, teams, musical groups, etc, and list major accomplishments in each. List any school awards that you have received.

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***Community Activities & Awards:*** List other activities (not listed above) in which you have participated. For example: church groups, community athletic teams, non-school clubs such as Boy or Girl Scouts, other community organizations, etc. List major accomplishments/awards in each activity.

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### **Students and Parent/Guardian Statements:**

I grant permission for the Beta Club Faculty Review Committee to review my final report card from last year to determine if my final grade point average was at least a 3.5. I understand that upon review of my application, my teacher recommendations, and final report card, I MAY be given an invitation to join the Flat Rock Middle School Junior Beta Club. I understand that invitations will be distributed during homeroom by Wednesday, Feb. 12. I also understand that if I wish to accept the invitation, I must submit my induction sheet and \$20 fees no later than Friday, February 21st.

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the information provided by my son/daughter on this form and can verify that it is true, accurate, and complete in its presentation. I understand that my son/daughter MAY receive an invitation to join the FRMS Jr. Beta Club during homeroom by December 2nd and that if he/she wishes to accept the invitation, that he/she must submit the induction sheet and \$20 dues no later than Friday, February 21st. I understand that no exceptions will be made for accepting these items.

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Applications should be placed in Mrs. Williams' mailbox or given directly to her no later than Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup>.  
Member fees of \$20 are due: February 21, 2020.**

**Teacher Recommendation for Student Applying to the FRMS Beta Club**

**Student Applicant:** Place your name and the teacher’s name on each recommendation form, and give to one of your academic teachers from this year and to one of your academic teachers from last year. If you are new to FRMS this year, give one form to an academic teacher and one form to an elective teacher.

*Student, write your name here:* \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_

Please rate the following categories with a “1” = very low, “3” = average, and “5” = commendable.

**Category Rating**

**Moral Integrity** (Has no record of cheating or intentional dishonesty.) \_\_\_\_\_

**Service Orientation** (Willing to help others in our school community.) \_\_\_\_\_

**Industrious Attitude** (Willing to go the extra mile) \_\_\_\_\_

**Role Model** (Is a outstanding role model to peers. Upholds school ideals.) \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Comments:**

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Teacher Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please place this recommendation form in Mrs. Williams’ or Mrs. Evans’ mailbox no later than Friday, January 31st. Do NOT return this form to the student/applicant.

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**Teacher Recommendation for Student Applying to the FRMS Beta Club**

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*Student, write your name here:* \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_

Please rate the following categories with a “1” =very low, “3”=average, and “5” = commendable.

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**Additional Comments:**

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Teacher Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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