## **Prairie Creek National Junior Beta Club Guidelines**

## **BETA CLUB OVERVIEW**

"Let us lead by serving others."

The National Junior Beta Club is a non-profit academic, leadership, and service club for grades 5-9. Their purpose is to encourage effort and reward merit and to promote those qualities of a character that makes for good citizenship. The National Junior Beta Club was created in 1961 as a division of the National Beta Club, which was founded in 1933. The National Beta Club is the nation's largest independent non-profit educational youth organization and continues to flourish because its timeless mission:

The National Junior Beta Club is To promote the ideals of character, service, and leadership among elementary and secondary school students, to reward meritorious achievement, and to encourage and assist students in continuing their education after high school.

The Junior Beta Club chapter provides an opportunity for individual and cooperative by a school's most outstanding students, develops initiative and leadership, rewards merit and achievement, and is an asset to the school and community.

## **BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP**

Besides serving as well- known standard of national recognition for academic achievement, membership in Jr. Beta Club also provides students with the following benefits:)

- 1. Official Beta pin
- 2. Access to BetaWeb; a student-centered website, that offers a wide variety of academic supports
- 3. Subscription to Beta Journal, published 5 times a year
- 4. Opportunity to apply for Beta Scholarships for higher education
- 5. Opportunity to attend Beta Club Convention
- 6. Opportunity to attend the Broyhill Leadership Conference

In order to be eligible for membership, PCE students must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Be a current 5th or 6th grade student
- 2. Maintain a 90 overall average\* in core classes, and 3's and 4's in special area classes.
- 3. Students must also have "S's" or "E's" for behavior, with no "N's" or "U's."
- 4. \*Overall average will be determined by adding math, science, reading, language arts, social studies, and health final grades together and dividing by 6.