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JUNIOR ACADEMY NEWS

The 1965-1966 Year

Mr. Frank Starr, Executive Secretary of IJAS, is busily processing applications for affiliations of local schools with the state junior academy. Membership has more than doubled during the last two years. However, there is still room for growth!

If your school is still one of the "non-members" there is still time to join. Write to Mr. Starr at East High in Waterloo. You can decrease the time for processing by including the three dollar fee with your request for other materials.

Individual Memberships

The Executive Committee has seriously considered creating individual membership in the Junior Academy. This would replace the school affiliation which is the current practice.

Every secondary student in the state would be eligible to join in this event. Dues would be nominal but individual. In most cases a group of members from a single school could join as a group thus eliminating the need for each student applying separately.

Your reaction to these proposed changes would be welcome. Please forward them to Mr. Starr, one of the officers, or your editor.

IJAS vs. IAS

As plans for membership change, one last difference between the Academy and the Junior Academy will disappear. In all respects the Junior Academy has become an Academy of Science for secondary students. Its activities, its procedures, its direction, and its goals are essentially the same.

The 1965-66 Symposium

The deadline for receipt of applications for the 1965-66 symposium is here. A few late applications will be received. For that reason all interested persons should contact Dr. Robert Yager, Science Education, University of Iowa, Iowa City, for application materials at once.

The procedure is changed considerably over that of last year. Each applicant must have contacted a scientist-advisor in

advance of filing the application. A preliminary project description must be a part of the application. In most cases this prospectus can be secured during the initial meeting with a potential advisor.

The Science Symposium at University of Dubuque

Sixty students presented papers at the Academy last April. These presentations as well as other discussions, featured speakers, and assemblies resulted in a most impressive state meeting of IJAS. The committee in charge is to be commended. All are looking forward to a bigger and better meeting at Central College in Pella next April.

Regional IJAS Meetings

Have you contacted other schools in your area? What are the possibilities of activities in your area with other schools? Do you know if surrounding schools are members? What are some of the activities of junior scientists in these other schools?

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