



The National Art Honor Society

Welcome!
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History

- In 1978, the National Art Education Association began the National Art Honor Society (NAHS) program specifically for high school students, for the purpose of inspiring and recognizing those students who have shown an outstanding ability in art in grades nine through twelve. Each year, thousands of students are inducted into the organization and in fact, at the end of the 2009-2010 school year; NAHS membership peaked at 43,334 total student participants with 1728 active chapters. The benefits to each school that can boast of a NAHS chapter are many. For starters, students are recognized for their work in the school environment and their success as visual art scholars. Second, the structure of the NAHS promotes student leadership and the opportunity for chapters to encourage volunteerism through the visual arts. The NAHS strives to aid members in working toward the attainment of the highest standards in art areas, and to bring art education to the attention of the school and community.

Membership

- The criteria for membership in the National Art Honor Society emphasize outstanding artistic scholarship and service to the school and community through development of artistic endeavors together with a strong moral character. By exemplifying these standards, the members of the society promote an awareness of art and become active participants in the education process at their school and in their community.

The benefits of hosting a NAHS chapter at any school include

- Recognizing students who have shown outstanding ability in the field of art.
- Serving as an inspiration for students to strive for higher goals in their work.
- Fostering excellence and a dedicated spirit in the pursuit of art.
- Encouraging the creative abilities and talents of the individual student.
- Assisting students in working toward the attainment of their highest potential in the field of art.
- Bringing art to the attention of the school and community.
- Increasing the awareness of art as a viable area within the total school curriculum.
- Advancing aesthetic awareness in all aspects of the total education program.

The benefits to being a NAHS Sponsor include

- Networking with other NAHS sponsors within the professional NAEA community. In particular, members can network year-round through the NAEA sponsored secondary .Ning site as part of the NAHS .Ning group at: http://naea-secondary-teachers.ning.com/group/nahs_sponsors.
- A positive and distinguished academic outlet for student members.
- Students are eligible for the [Rising Star Secondary Recognition Award](#).
- Seniors are eligible to receive the [Charles M. Robertson Memorial Scholarship](#)--a special four-year scholarship to Pratt Institute School of Art and Design in New York.
- Eligibility to apply for the [NAEA Standards Award](#).
- Sponsors can attend NAEA's annual [National Convention](#) or the [Co-sponsored Academies & Institutes](#) held throughout the country.
- Receiving the now online *NAHS News* twice a year and learn what other chapters are doing!
- The opportunity to help students improve their college resumes. Institutions of higher education view the NAHS as a mark of accomplishment.

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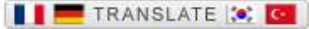
National Art Honor Society (7-12)

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NATIONAL ART HONOR SOCIETY (7-12)

  TRANSLATE

Recognize Your Young Artists' Achievement!
Show your school and local community that you are a champion of art education! Start recognizing outstanding abilities in the arts and support your young artists by joining the National Art Honor Society or National Junior Art Honor Society.

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ART
HONOR SOCIETY

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Why should your school join NAHS? We'll tell you...

1. Become part of our professional NAEA community.
2. Students become members of a distinguished group of over 33,000 art students.
3. Students are eligible for the [Rising Star Secondary Recognition Award](#).
4. Seniors are eligible to receive the [Charles M. Robertson Memorial Scholarship](#)--a special four-year scholarship to Pratt Institute School of Art and Design in New York.
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7. Receive *NAHS News* twice a year.

NAHS News

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Chapter Spotlight: Presentation Academy, Louisville, KY

Presentation Academy's NAHS Chapter (# 2827) started in the fall of 2007 with 16 members and has continued to have about the same number each year. The chapter evolved from the original art club that existed at Presentation Academy (Pres), as the students wanted a more committed and challenging group. Although it is a relatively young chapter, its members have experienced

NAHS News Student Gallery



CHAPTER SPOTLIGHT: Gina Proietto
Chapter 2397 - Plymouth Whitmarsh High School



CHAPTER SPOTLIGHT: Sky Wenhold
Chapter 2397 - Plymouth Whitmarsh High School



CHAPTER SPOTLIGHT: Liz Keefer
Chapter 2397 - Plymouth Whitmarsh High School

Outstanding National Art Honor Society Sponsor

Debi West, GA



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Best Practices for Chapters

- How does your state support NAHS?
 - Is there a NAHS representative on the state art education association board?
 - Some states sponsor NAHS scholarships (GA)
 - Some states sponsor traveling art exhibition (NC)
- Best Practices in working with students
 - President of NAHS e-mails students almost daily
 - Students participate and make art in and for local venues
 - Students paint murals in school
 - Students sponsor art week at their school
 - Students paint set designs for school theatre
 - “Done in a day” for local NAHS projects
 - NAHS groups meet monthly or bimonthly
 - Fundraisers to support the visual arts
 - Art displays in and out of school
 - NAHS art competitions between chapters
 - Students participate in local community service events and add an art component

Service in the Visual Arts

- Almost all NAHS chapters promote volunteerism through the visual arts with students. For example, Debi West has over 90 student members that have logged in 200+ hours of community service through the visual arts!
- Through volunteerism the NAHS chapter thus also helps to advocate for the visual arts program in the school.

NAHS News!

- We want to hear from you!