



California Dance Education Association
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National Honor Society for Dance Arts

**East County Performing Art Center
Chapter CDEA—N121**



More Than Just Great Dancing!
Affiliated Dance Studios

Quality Curriculum ★ Teacher Training ★ Best Management Practices ★ Community Involvement

What is the National Honor Society for Dance Arts?

NHSDA a national dance honor society, is designed for dance education students, dance educators, and professional dancers to express their devotion to the art form by sharing, recognizing, and promoting dance education within schools and communities.

NHSDA chapters are designated for students in middle school, high school, college, who are receiving their dance training in public or private schools or community dance studios. By promoting NHSDA, National Dance Education Organization recognizes outstanding students.

This honor society enables students to advocate for dance education

by:

- Promoting quality programs in dance education

- Recognizing young choreographers by adjudicating their work through a Student Choreography Showcase
- Providing leadership in dance education by providing networking opportunities, and organizing community giving events, participating in mentorships and promoting academic excellence
- Expanding the student vision of dance from the self to the world by encouraging community service and inclusion.

Benefits of membership in NHSDA:

- NDEO Artistic Merit, Leadership and Academic Achievement Award, one of the highest honor programs for dance in the United States.
- Induction and other recognition ceremonies
- Outreach programs to the community
- Special recognition at high school graduation
- Networking with dance students and professionals
- Leadership activities
- Performance and technique classes offered at conventions and workshops across the nation
- Educational development opportunities



Application for Membership

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Please return your application by November 30th
with your \$20 yearly membership payable to ECPAC

Eligibility Requirements

Must maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher

Junior High or High School

Must take at least 3 hours of dance a week in at least 2 different genres with excellent attendance

Complete 30 points of the Induction Point System

Once Accepted members must work together to choose and organize a fundraiser for one local and one non-local charity

Name:

School:

Grade

from previous school year: _____

Most recent GPA: _____

DANCE

Number of years dancing: _____

Number of hours per week this year: _____

Number of years previously on NHSDA: _____ New Member of NHSDA:

List any dance performances (other than recital/competition):

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

List any service projects or organizations:

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NEW MEMBERS ONLY—ESSAY

Please write and attach a short essay on why you want to be a member of NHSDA and how you think membership will benefit you.



NHSDA Induction Point System
ECPAC Chapter
Nina Koch, Chapter Advisor

Members must achieve 30 points for Induction.

Any combination of points can be used as long as the total is 30. Members are responsible for tracking their own points and will be expected to show proof of points achieved by July 31

Dance

Participate in school dance team/program 2 points Participate in non-competitive dance performance 5 points Participate in dance convention 5 points Attend a live dance performance 5 points Participation in Choreography Showcase 5 points Stage tech/crew for a dance performance 2 points Participate in a summer intensive 10 points

Community

Assist/mentor younger dance students 5 points Volunteer for a studio event 2 points Volunteer at a non-studio community service event 2 points Advocate for dance in the community 2 points

Academic

Receive academic award at your school 5 points Achieve honor roll/dean's list at your school 5 points Maintain GPA higher than 3.5 for the school year 10 points *(Min GPA of 3.0 is required for membership)*

Write historical paper on a dance related topic 2 points *(Min 300 words, three references)*