

JUNIOR/SECONDARY NHSDA GRADUATION WITH HONORS RUBRIC as of 2026

Student's Name _____

Grade Level or Age _____

Graduation with Honors is a prestigious opportunity that is offered to graduating students. It is earned through the accumulation of points awarded for meritorious work in dance that meets the honor society's general guidelines and grade point average (GPA).

Induction Criteria	Credits Earned Toward Induction
<p>Participation Points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To "Graduate with NHSDA Honors" for the Junior Program, a student must earn an additional 10 points for a total of 25 points. To "Graduate with NHSDA Honors" for the Secondary Program, a student must earn an additional 15 points for a total of 45 points. 	<p>Using the NHSDA Point System Guidelines, enter the number of points the student has been awarded to date.</p> <p># of points earned =</p>
<p>Character Points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chapter Sponsor affirms the qualities observed for Induction. However, the character reference expands to be more inclusive of group and society observing one's ability to motivate others, offer thoughtful solutions that unite rather than divide, exercise judicious behavior in communications, do team-building, offer creative paths to new directions, encourage others to lead, and develop tangible personal and professional responsibilities to dance (as an interest, profession, or life-long learning experience) at local, state and national levels. A minimum "Above Average" rating in this category is required for Graduation with Honors 	<p>After reviewing the students' performance, rate the student according to the following scale:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> Excellent <input type="radio"/> Above Average <input type="radio"/> Average <input type="radio"/> Fair <input type="radio"/> Poor
<p>GPA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The chapter sponsor will determine the minimum GPA for induction but it will not be below a 3.0. Optional: Choose a GPA that matches or is competitive with other honor societies in your school. 	<p>GPA =</p>
<p>Essay</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The student has submitted a 250-500 word essay to their Chapter Sponsor that describes what impact dance has had on their life in and out of the studio & how they plan to use this influence in the future to have an impact on other people and communities. Or an equivalent essay as approved by the Chapter Sponsor. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

- Graduation with Honor Criteria Met**
- Graduation with Honors Criteria Not Met**

Chapter Sponsor's Signature _____

Date _____

Chapter Sponsor keeps this form for their own files as well as documentation of points, it does NOT need to be turned into NDEO.