

# NHSDA Sample Induction Ceremony

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## Compliments of Florida Dance Education Organization (FDEO)

- A. Begin the ceremony by introducing any guests and then introducing the installing officer.
- B. Suggested text for the installing officer:

“ \_\_\_\_\_ School (or arts program name) has petitioned the National Honor Society for Dance Arts for the privilege of chartering an Honor Society Chapter. The dance program of \_\_\_\_\_ School (or arts program name) has been determined to meet the standards required by the governing board of the Honor Society, and the application has been accepted. Membership in this national organization is not only a reward for the fine work of this program, but further evidence of this chapter’s desire to continue to inspire others through dance. As a chapter, the work produced will better dance in the community and throughout the country.” “It is my pleasure that I welcome you here to share in the induction of new members into \_\_\_\_\_ School’s (or arts program name) Chapter No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the National Honor Society for Dance Arts. Through their work in dance, academic achievement and service to others; the candidates have earned the right to become members of the National Honor Society for Dance Arts.”

- C. From a table preset with a lit candle, explain the following:  
“As each student becomes a member of the Honor Society they will light a candle to symbolize their ability to illuminate our world through dance.”
- D. Read the accomplishments of each student and hand each student a certificate and if desired a National Dance Education Organization Gold Honor Pin or Graduation Cord (pins/cords may be purchased from the NDEO website by the Chapter Sponsor). As their accomplishments are read, have students light a candle from the central candle.
- E. Have the new members stand and say the pledge.  
“I now ask the new members of National Honor Society for Dance Arts, Chapter No. \_\_\_\_\_ to stand and say the pledge with me (or repeat after me).”