

**FORT STOCKTON HIGH SCHOOL CHAPTER of the NATIONAL ART HONOR SOCIETY**  
**THE CHAPTER CONSTITUTION**

**ARTICLE I: NAME AND PURPOSE**

**SECTION 1:** The name of this chapter shall be the Fort Stockton High School Chapter of the National Art Honor Society (or FSHS NAHS for short).

**SECTION 2:** The purpose of this chapter shall be to:

- A. acknowledge and recognize those students who have shown and will show outstanding ability in art, be it two- or three-dimensional media.
- B. pursue and dedicate ones spirit to Art.
- C. creatively enhance and expand those abilities and talents of the members of this Society and to those currently enrolled in an Art course at this school.
- D. help and aid members and non-members in Art to reach the summit of their Art in their chosen disciplines.
- E. expand an understanding of Art in the school and community-at-large.
- F. expand an understanding of Art in all courses, not only the four core subjects.
- G. encourage support from all aspects of the school be it artistic, academic, and athletic.

**ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP**

**SECTION 1:** Membership in this chapter shall be based upon the three characteristics of the National program:

- A. art scholarship,
- B. moral character
- C. service to school and community

**SECTION 2:** To be eligible for induction candidacy of membership in this chapter, the student must have been in attendance for a period of the equivalency of one year of Art in the Middle School level or one semester in Art in the high school level.

**SECTION 3:** Throughout the school year, students have to have received a minimum art scholarship average of B ( $\geq 80$ ) in their Art class, if enrolled. This level of achievement shall remain a definite standard unless the need to be modified based on a student's IEP or the request of the district's Special Services.

**SECTION 4:** Members may choose to remain active when class schedule will not permit an Art course.

**ARTICLE III: SELECTION OF MEMBERSHIP**

**SECTION 1:** Selection of members to this chapter of the National Art Honor Society shall be open to all who qualifies as listed under Article II, section 2 as well as by the invitation of the Art teacher of this school who is a member in good standing of the local chapter of this National Art Education Association (NAEA) and the recommendation one current and one past teacher.

**SECTION 2:** Any member who falls below the standards that are the basis for selection, be it academic or community, shall be promptly warned and placed on probation.

**SECTION 3:** When a member is permanently dismissed, the student must be notified and the membership card, if issued, returned to the Society sponsor, if issued. No refund of dues will be issued.

**SECTION 4:** A member in good standing of the National Art Honor Society who transfers from this school will be given a letter indicating the status of his or her membership, signed by the sponsor.

**SECTION 5:** A member of the National Art Honor Society who transfers to this school will be accepted for membership in this chapter pending contact of their former sponsor. This transfer student must maintain the membership requirements for this chapter in order to retain membership.

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### ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS

**SECTION 1:** This chapter's officers shall consist of a president, a vice-president of membership, vice-president of public relations, a secretary/treasurer, a sergeant-at-arms, and the chapter sponsor.

**SECTION 2:** Upon the need should arise, the following offices, but not limited to them, will be appointed from amongst the membership: a chair for awards, chair for ceremonies, and chair for activities/fundraisers.

**SECTION 3:** The initial officers will be appointed by the Society sponsor. After the initial period is finished, a majority of votes cast shall be necessary to elect any officer of this chapter.

**SECTION 4:** It shall be the duty of the president to preside at the meetings of this chapter.

**SECTION 5:** The vice-president of membership shall preside in the absence of the president and serve as the chapter's program chair.

**SECTION 6:** The chapter secretary/treasurer shall keep the minutes of meetings, a record of all business, and all records on file and shall receive and disperse all funds of the chapter and keep an accurate account of receipts and disbursements in accordance with school regulation and keep this up to date with help of the Chapter sponsor. Upon the need should arise, this position can be divided and held by two different members.

### ARTICLE V: SUPERVISION

**SECTION 1:** The activities of this chapter shall be subject to the approval of the sponsor and the administration of the school.

**SECTION 2:** The post of sponsor shall be voluntary and not compensated monetarily.

**SECTION 3:** The sponsor must be a member in good standing of the National Art Education Association.

### ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS

**AMENDED AUGUST 2014**

**SECTION 1:** The regular meetings of this chapter shall be held Fridays during the Third Period Prime Time.

**SECTION 2:** The chapter officers are elected for one school year start shall be elected in May of each year for the next school year.

**SECTION 3:** Special meetings, approved by the chapter council, may be called by the president or Sponsor.

**SECTION 4:** All meetings shall be open meetings and shall be held under the supervision of the Sponsor.

### ARTICLE VII: MEMBERSHIP DUES

**AMENDED May, 2013**

**SECTION 1:** A one-time Membership Fee of \$25.00 per member shall be collected by the Sponsor and verified by the secretary when the student applies for induction membership. \$3.00 of this fee will then be forwarded to the National Art Honor Society office at the national headquarters of NAEA for dues each year and \$12 will be reserved for the student's honor cords when member is a senior. *The membership fee will need to be paid in full no later than the last day of April of the school year.*

**SECTION 2:** A yearly school/chapter fee is required of each NAHS chapter sponsor. This fee is equivalent to the regular active NAEA member fee. This enables each faculty sponsor of the NAHS to be a member in good standing of NAEA. Designated faculty sponsors will also receive regular active member benefits in addition to NAHS information. The school/chapter fee will be waived if the art faculty sponsor is a current active or comprehensive member of the NAEA.

**SECTION 3:** School/chapter fees and individual sponsor fees may be paid by the individual, the school, a community group, or agency.

**SECTION 4:** The school's chapter may establish and collect annual dues at their discretion for local operating expenses.

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## ARTICLE VII: BYLAWS

*AMENDED May, 2013*

### SECTION 1: PREMBLE

Bylaws do not need to be approved by the national Council if they are consistent with regulations outlined in the constitution. A current copy of the local chapter bylaws must be filed with the national headquarters of NAEA.

### SECTION 2: BYLAWS ADDITIONS AND AMENDMENTS

In order to add or amend any bylaws, said bylaw may be brought before council officers and may be added or amended with a majority vote.

### SECTION 3: PRE-REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for induction candidacy of membership in this chapter, the student must have been in attendance for a period of the equivalency of one year of Art in the Middle School level or one semester in Art in the high school level.

**SECTION 4: POINT SYSTEM** – see this portion of the handbook

### SECTION 5: REMOVAL FROM THE NATIONAL ART HONOR SOCIETY

Failure to attend three consecutive meetings without cause will result in probation from earning points for participating in chapter activities for the Six Weeks grading period and missing six consecutive for the remaining semester. Missing eight consecutive meetings without cause will result in removal for the remainder of the School Year and (seniors only) forfeiture of graduating with Honor Cords.

Failing to earn the minimum point total allowed for the Six Weeks will result in being placed on probation from participating in chapter activities for points until it is brought up at next possible Six Weeks. Failing two straight six weeks will result in removal from the chapter activities for points for the remainder of the semester.

Failing to earn minimum point total for three straight Six Weeks will result in removal from the chapter for the remainder of the School Year and (seniors only) forfeiture of graduating with Honor Cords.

Placement in ISS will result in removal from participating in chapter activities for points for the Six Weeks. Two straight six weeks will result in removal... for the remainder of the semester. Three straight Six Weeks will result in removal from the chapter for the remainder of the School Year and (seniors only) forfeiture of graduating with Honor Cords.

Placement in DAEP, the Juvenile Detention Center, or other disciplinary occurrences outside of school will result in permanent removal from the chapter and forfeiture of graduating with Honor Cords. In the event of these, a review by the officers and sponsor(s) will be conducted. If the individual in question is an officer, he or she will not participate in the decision-making process. This applies to all local, county, state, national, or international laws.

## ARTICLE IX: THE NATIONAL COUNCIL

**SECTION 1:** The National Council shall be the Executive Director of the NAEA, the Secondary Division Director, the Secondary Division Director-elect, and a member at large appointed by the Executive Director from the general secondary division membership of NAEA.

**SECTION 2:** The National Director of the National Art Honor Society program shall be selected by members of the national Council from the Council membership.

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**SECTION 3:** Terms of office for members of the National Council shall be two-year terms. The NAEA Executive Director shall have a continuous term on the National Council as an ex-officio member.

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