

# ENAHS BYLAWS and Constitution

## **Article I. Name and Purpose**

Section 1: The name of this chapter shall be the Elizabeth Chapter of the National Art Honor Society. (ENAHS)

Section 2: The purpose of the chapter shall be to:

- A. Inspire and recognize those students who have shown outstanding ability in art;
- B. Foster excellence and a dedicated spirit to the pursuit of art;
- C. Further creative abilities and talents of the Society's members, as well as the school's entire student art enrollment;
- D. Aid members in working toward the attainment of their highest potential in an art area;
- E. Bring art to the attention of the school and community
- F. Increase an awareness of art in relation to other areas of the school curriculum; and
- G. Further aesthetic awareness in all aspects of the school's total program

## **Article II. Local Chapters**

Section 1: ENAHS will apply for charter through the National Art Education Association (NAEA). A copy of ENAHS bylaws are filed with NAEA.

## **Article III. Membership**

Section 1: Membership in this chapter shall be based upon art scholarship, service, and character.

Section 2: To be eligible for selection to membership in this chapter, the candidate must be a high school student enrolled in grade 9, 10, 11, or 12 at Elizabeth High School, and is currently or has completed a period to one semester of art at Elizabeth High School.

Section 3: An eligible officer candidate must retain an A average in an AP Art class or a B average in his/her regular classes.

Section 4: Annual dues of \$15 will be collected from each member. The due amount covers the chapter registration fee and art supplies used for the year for projects.

Section 5: Attendance is required at all meetings to maintain membership privileges. Members may have up to 3 excused absences for meetings per semester to still remain in good standing as a member.

Section 6: For the ENAHS officers, attendance is also required at any executive meetings outside of the regularly scheduled membership meetings.

Section 7: To graduate with NAHS honors and earn the right to wear a cord or pin at graduation, a member must remain in good standing until the graduation date.

Section 8: Members must follow the eligibility rules in accordance to the Elizabeth High School handbook. Members will be considered ineligible if they have two or more F's. If a student has one F the student will be given a eligibility warning and will be required to see that teacher during cardinal time, study halls, homeroom time, before or after school until the grade is pulled back up.

Section 9: Members may remain active during such time when there are no visual arts on their class schedule as long as they fulfill all of the other requirements each year.

Section 10: In the event of an infraction of rules, a review by the officers and sponsors will be conducted. If the individual in question is an officer, he/she will not participate in the decision-making process. This applies to all community laws as well as school and chapter rules.

#### **Article IV. Selection of Members**

Section 1: The selection of members to this chapter of the ENAHS shall be by recommendation from the art faculty of this school who are members in good standing of the NAEA.

Section 2: Any member who falls below the standards that are basis for selection shall be given a warning. If during the next regular marking period or semester of the school, the member fails to meet the standards used as basis for selection to the Society, the case shall be passed upon the chapter council.

Section 3: When a member is dismissed, he/she must be notified and the membership card returned to the Society's sponsor.

Section 4: An active member of the ENAHS who transfers from this school will be given a letter indicating the status of his/her membership, signed by the sponsor and the principal.

Section 5: An active member of the ENAHS who transfers to this school will be accepted for membership in this chapter.

Section 6: NAEA does not participate in matters of member non-selection or dismissal.

#### **Article V: Officers**

Section 1: The officers of this chapter shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer (These could be combined)

Section 2: A majority of votes cast shall be necessary to elect any officer of this chapter.

Section 3: It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of this chapter.

Section 4: The Vice President shall preside in the absence of the President, and serve as the chapter's program chair.

Section 5: The chapter secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings, a record of all business, and all records on file.

Section 6: The treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the chapter and keep an accurate account of receipts and disbursements in accordance with the school regulations.

Section 7: A chapter council shall consist of the chapter President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and the Chapter Sponsor.

#### **Article VI. Supervision**

Section 1: An art faculty member (Sponsor) shall be designated to supervise and provide guidance for this chapter on a daily basis.

Section 2: The sponsor shall be a member of the art faculty employed by Elizabeth High School.

Section 3: The post of sponsor shall be voluntary.

Section 4: The sponsors must be National Art Education Association (NAEA) members in good standing.

Section 5: The activities of this chapter will be subject to the approval of the sponsor and the principal. The principal shall have the final right to approve all activities and decisions of this chapter.

#### **Article VII. Meetings**

Section 1: The regular meetings of this chapter shall be held during the school year on days designated by the chapter council and approved by the principal.

Section 2: The officers of the chapter shall be elected at the last regular meeting of the year.

Section 3: Special meetings, approved by the chapter council, may be called by the President.

Section 4: All meetings shall be open meetings and shall be held under the supervision of the sponsor.

Section 5: This chapter shall conduct its meetings according to *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*, in all points not expressly provided for in the constitution of this chapter.

#### **Article VIII. Membership Fees**

Section 1: A yearly NAHS membership fee of \$3.00 per student shall be forwarded to the National Art Honor Society at the NAEA National Office. A fee of \$12.00 per student shall be forwarded to the ENAHS account to help pay for art supplies and other materials needed through the year.

Section 2: A yearly chapter registration fee is required for each NAHS chapter and entitles the Chapter Sponsor to all the rights and privileges of one active membership including all NAEA members and NAHS chapter benefits. The chapter registration fee is waived for Sponsors who are already active members.

Section 3: Chapter fees and student membership fees shall be paid through the school. Fees and registration forms must be submitted to NAEA by the chapter sponsor.

Section 4: Chapter and student membership fees are non-refundable and nontransferable.

Section 5: ENAHS may establish and collect annual dues at their discretion for local operating expenses.

**Article IX: Bylaws**

Section 1: ENAHS Bylaws are consistent with regulations outlined in the NAHS Constitution.

Section 2: A current copy of the ENAHS bylaws will be filed with the NAEA office per year.

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Member Name Printed	Member Signature	Date

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Printed Parent/ Legal Guardian	Parent/ Legal Guardian Signature	Date

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