



Franklin Academy Pembroke Pines National Junior Art Honor Society Student Application 2025 – 2026

Franklin Academy is proud to sponsor a chapter of The National Junior Art Honor Society.

Franklin Academy takes great pride in sponsoring a chapter of The National Junior Art Honor Society (NJAHS). This prestigious organization is open to 6th, 7th, and 8th-grade students who possess a genuine talent and passion for the arts. The NJAHS is not merely an "art club"; it is a program designed to inspire and recognize students who exhibit exceptional abilities and a deep interest in the visual arts.

The National Junior Art Honor Society (NJAHS) goes beyond a typical art club by elevating a school's commitment to the core values of scholarship, service, leadership, character, and citizenship. It empowers middle-level students to develop the knowledge and skills required to become well-rounded student leaders not only within our school but also in our broader community and beyond. Members of the NJAHS are expected to exemplify the following qualities: Scholarship, Citizenship, Service, Leadership, and Character, both within and outside of the school environment.

We are pleased to introduce the dedicated sponsors of Franklin's NJAHS chapter, Dr. Glenda Lubiner and Ms. Jennifer Pulliam. Once your child is accepted into the society, we will provide you with a schedule of meeting dates. Most of these meetings will take place at 7:45 am in the art room, although some sessions may be held after school. Our meetings will occur once a month, with additional sessions scheduled as we approach important events.

To be eligible for membership, students must meet specific criteria outlined in our constitution and school bylaws. Membership entails a commitment to attend regular meetings, actively engage in service to the art community, and contribute to the promotion of artwork beyond our school, thus showcasing the innovation and skills cultivated within the Franklin Academy art program.

The Goals of the National Junior Art Honor Society at Franklin Academy are as follows:

- **Acknowledge Exceptional Talent:** To acknowledge and celebrate students who have demonstrated outstanding proficiency in the realm of art.
- **Inspire Excellence:** To serve as a wellspring of inspiration for students, motivating them to set loftier benchmarks for their artistic endeavors.
- **Cultivate Dedication:** To cultivate a culture of excellence and unwavering commitment in the pursuit of artistic expression.

- **Nurture Creative Potential:** To actively nurture and encourage the creative abilities and unique talents of each individual student.
- **Promote Art:** To actively engage with and make art an integral part of the school and wider community's consciousness.
- **Raise Awareness:** To heighten awareness regarding the significance of art as a vibrant and essential component within the comprehensive school curriculum.

These goals underscore our commitment to fostering artistic excellence, nurturing creativity, and making art an integral and appreciated facet of our school and community life.

MEMBER APPLICATION DEADLINE: Friday, September 26, 2025

CHAPTER FEE (IF ACCEPTED): All members: \$30 (covers both national dues and club supplies). *Payment details will be included in a welcome packet upon acceptance.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS:

- Join a prestigious community of over 30,000 national art students!
- Gain recognition for your achievements in the visual arts.
- Actively engage in our school's artistic community and events.
- Contribute to school and community art projects.
- Explore leadership opportunities.
- Enhance your college resume with NJAHS membership as a mark of accomplishment.
- Develop responsibility and dedication.
- Support the flourishing arts program at Franklin Academy.
- Amplify the presence of art within Franklin Academy and across Broward County.

FRANKLIN ACADEMY NJAHS MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS:

- Maintain a minimum core grade of 80%/B- AND 85%/B in art classes.
- Secure recommendations from your current Art teacher and Team teachers, highlighting a strong work ethic and a positive attitude.
- Maintain a commendable discipline record both within the school and the community.
- Contribute a minimum of ten (10) hours of community service related to art annually.
- Enroll in at least one (1) art class during your MYP Programme.
- Participate in at least 70% of the activities organized by NJAHS.
- Maintain a clean record without service hour restrictions or outstanding fee balances.

FRANKLIN ACADEMY NJAHS BYLAWS:

To become a member of the National Junior Art Honor Society and finish the year with honors, all members must adhere to the following bylaws:

- Attend a minimum of eight (8) meetings throughout the year to remain an active NJAHS member.
- Attend a minimum of two (2) NJAHS events to retain membership.
- In case of rule violations, the officers and sponsors will conduct a review. If the individual in question holds an officer position, they will not participate in the decision-making process. This applies to all community, school, and chapter rules.
- To conclude the year with NJAHS honors, members must maintain good standing until the last day of school.
- For NJAHS officers, attendance is mandatory at any executive meetings convened outside of the regular schedule.
- Additionally, ALL members must attend the May meeting to discuss the group's goals for the upcoming school year.

Application for NJAHS

APPLICANT'S FULL NAME: _____ DATE: _____

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

- **Application Submission Instructions:** Please complete the following application thoroughly and provide accurate and honest information to the best of your ability. Return completed application forms to Dr. Lubiner or Ms. Pulliam by the specified due date. It is important to note that filling out this application does **not** automatically enroll you as an NJAHS member. This form serves as a tool to assist in the nomination of candidates.
- **Art Portfolio Submission:** Present the committee with **two high-quality pieces of artwork that showcase your strengths as an artist.** Ensure that your artwork is neatly presented, fully finished, and ready for display. Your artwork should highlight your artistic skills, whether it's in drawing, collage, pen work, painting, landscapes, portraits, still life, or any other form of artistic expression. All sketches and creations must be ORIGINAL MATERIAL; refrain from copying someone else's work. Rest assured that all submitted artwork will be promptly returned to you.
- **Essay Questions:** For the following essay questions, **please type your responses on a separate sheet of paper and attach them to your application.**
 - Describe the reasons behind your desire to become a member of the National Junior Art Honor Society, both personal and artistic motivations.
 - Share your perspective on the role and significance of an Art Honor Society. Elaborate on how and why its presence would be advantageous for both the school and the broader community.
 - Write a paragraph detailing your involvement in community or volunteer activities, showcasing your contributions beyond the classroom.

GRADE (circle one): **MYP YEAR 1** **MYP YEAR 2** **MYP YEAR 3**

☐ Check if you have already completed at least one (1) year of visual art or if you are currently enrolled in visual or digital art.

Check the Art class in which you are currently enrolled (ALL MYP Year 1 students are enrolled in Visual Art).

- ☐ Visual Art
☐ Digital Art
☐ MYP Year 1 Music

- What is your current GPA (grade point average)? _____

If you don't know your GPA, are all your grades (core AND electives) a B or higher?

☐ Yes ☐ No

- What grade did you receive in your last art class? _____
Your grade must be at least 85%/B in order to qualify for NJAHS. If you are unsure, check PowerSchool or speak with Dr. Lubiner or Ms. Pulliam.
- Below, please acquire THREE (3) teacher recommendation signatures that support your efforts in art scholarship, character, and service. **These must be teachers other than Dr. Lubiner and Ms. Pulliam.**

Teacher's Name (Please Print)	Teacher Signature	Department	Date

***TEACHER'S NOTE: In providing your signature for the student named in this application, you are endorsing their application for NJAHS membership based on their art aptitude, character, and service.**

- By signing below, you certify that the information provided is truthful and precise, reinforcing your application for membership in the National Junior Art Honor Society.

Applicant's Full Name (Please Print)	Applicant's Signature	Date

Parent/Guardian Full Name	
Parent/Guardian Signature	
Date	
Parent/Guardian Email Address	
Emergency Contact Name & Number	