**Benefits of Thespian induction**

* Membership in the only international honor society for high school theatre arts students—a recognized demonstration of achievement and a valuable addition to college and employment applications.
* A membership certificate (see “Thespian credentials” below).
* A personalized membership card (see “Thespian credentials” below).
* A one-year (nine issues) subscription to *Dramatics* magazine (a $27 value). The first issue will arrive within 6 to 8 weeks for students inducted August through March. Students inducted April through July will receive their first issue in September.
* The ability to renew the subscription at a special member rate ($15 as of 4/1/10). Note: All Thespians are sent renewal notices before their subscription expires. This provides them the opportunity to continue receiving the magazine at our lowest member rate, and is a lifelong benefit.
* Leadership opportunities at the troupe, chapter, and international levels.
* Eligibility for scholarships through EdTA chapters and the home office.
* Eligibility to apply for student grants, including the Doug Finney Festival Grants (juniors and seniors), which are need-based grants to help Thespians attend the ITS Festival.
* Eligibility to audition at the Thespian Festival for admission to college theatre programs.
* Eligibility to submit original plays to the Thespian Playworks program.
* Eligibility to audition for chapter Individual Events programs and qualify for the National Individual Events Showcase (NIES) at the Thespian Festival.
* Eligibility to receive Thespian graduation and honor items (honor cords, point stars, pins, etc.).
* Eligibility to advance to Thespian ranks of Honor, National Honor, or International Honor Thespian.
* Eligibility to receive Thespian scholar distinction for academic achievement.

Honor program

Honor Thespian. 60 total points earned or the equivalent of 5 stars. For outstanding contributions to the ideals of the Society and meritorious work in the field of theatre.

National Honor Thespian. 120 total points earned or the equivalent of 11 stars. For exceptional commitment to the ideals of the Society and distinguished work in the field of theatre.

International Honor Thespian. 180 or more total points earned or the equivalent of 17 or more stars. For extraordinary dedication to the ideals of the Society and exemplary work in the field of theatre.