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- Providing professional development, networking, resources, recognition, and representation.
- Pride, recognition, and affirmation in earning induction into an international honor society.
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- Dramatics magazine, the only publication edited exclusively for theatre students and teachers.
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- Chapter conferences with professional education and networking.
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- Representation in promoting and shaping theatre arts education policy through the National Coalition for Core Arts Standards, Theatre Education Advocacy Day, the Arts Education Partnership, and more.

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- 47 states
- 13 countries
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