The International Thespian Society is the only theatre honor society for middle and high school students in the country. Affiliation brings credibility and distinction to students, theatre programs, and schools. It is a visible, positive symbol of the quality of your theatre program.

ITS recognizes, rewards, and encourages student achievement and celebrates the work of students in all aspects of theatre—performance and production. Each student is honored on a national level and gains access to opportunities and resources beyond those of their school.

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How it works

The International Thespian Society group at each school is known as a troupe, and it is led by a troupe director. A point system helps track student work, as high school and middle school students earn induction and the designation of Thespian. Students go on to earn progressively higher honors.

What troupe directors get

- Full membership in the Educational Theatre Association (EdTA), including:
  - Full access to Theatre Educator Pro, EdTA’s online suite of standards-based learning and education resources
  - Member rates for International Thespian Festival, EdTA National Conference and chapter conferences with professional education and networking
  - Teaching Theatre journal
  - Opportunities for state and national leadership development, recognition, and awards
  - Representation in promoting and shaping theatre arts education policy

What students get

Pride, recognition, and affirmation in earning induction into an international honor society

- Official membership pin, card, and certificate
- Exclusive Thespian interviews for college admission and scholarships
- School, chapter, and international leadership opportunities
- Eligibility to qualify for the International Thespian Excellence Awards—Thespy®, to recognize the highest level of achievement in school theatre performance and technical theatre.
- Dramatics magazine and Dramatics.org, the only publications edited exclusively for theatre students and teachers

By the numbers

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