



SAN FRANCISCO
HIGH SCHOOL
OF THE ARTS

A SMALL PRIVATE SCHOOL

BIG ON THE ARTS

Serving Grades 6-12



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Excellence

DISCOVER HSARTS

HSArts offers students a path to self-mastery through professional arts training and rigorous academics.

Our holistic approach to education focuses on Traditional Arts and Universal Values of respect, responsibility, honesty, kindness, empathy, and tolerance. Our rigorous academics and arts curricula, rooted in our values, develop individuals ready to make vital contributions to the world. Our students go on to attend top universities, pursuing the arts and other fields.

Visit us to experience why we say HSArts is a small private school that's Big on the Arts.



WHY THE ARTS?

- The Arts are vital to achieving a well-rounded education according to the Brookings Institution.
- Classical arts training builds a solid foundation that instills mindfulness with each line drawn, each note played, and each movement performed.
- Arts training develops valuable soft skills: perseverance, self-motivation and discipline, teamwork, self-confidence, and a strong work ethic.
- Arts students are four times more likely to receive recognition for academic achievement, score higher on the SAT, and choose to pursue higher education.

Passion



Our Arts programs develop a solid foundation essential for professional accomplishment in any arts-related field. Students discover their artistic passion through fundamental skills development and individual creative expression. Talented and dedicated teachers create curriculum designed to promote individual student success in small group settings.

VISUAL ARTS

The Visual Arts program develops foundational skills in drawing, sketching, and painting. Students build and develop those skills through specialized arts electives such as animation, concept art, fashion and costume design, and architecture. Exhibition and competition opportunities are available to students throughout the year.



PERFORMING ARTS



Dance Conservatory

In our pre-professional dance program, students train in the classical styles of comprehensive dance: Classical Ballet in the Vaganova method and classical Chinese dance. With an emphasis on building strong foundational technique, students will apply their fundamentals to pointe and character classes, ethnic and folk dance, repertoire and variations culminating in performances and competitions throughout the year.

Music Conservatory

Our music program is rooted in classical music and offers high-level private and ensemble lessons. Students specialize in either instruments or voice. Supplementary music courses, including music theory, composition, history, and piano lab, are available. This foundation in professional music allows students to develop a portfolio suitable for college applications.



Theatre Arts

The theater program, which includes musical theater, prepares students for university and pre-professional training in acting, writing, singing, and dancing for stage and film in the 21st century. Students perform, create, and direct original and published works in annual studio showcases, recitals, and school productions.



Diligence

ACADEMICS

Our rigorous academic program meets and exceeds California state standards and prepares students for success at highly selective colleges and universities.

Our small class sizes allow students, grades 6-12, to engage in seminar-style learning. Qualified, highly-motivated students on our STEAM or Humanities course pathways may graduate with special honors.

Highlights

- 1:10 teacher to student ratio
- Accelerated Math Track
- 15 honors-level and 20 AP courses
- After school academic support and differentiated instruction



COLLEGE COUNSELING

The College Counseling Program is designed to help each student gain deeper self-awareness of their individual strengths and challenges, and identify the career path and college choice that is right for them. From 8th grade through senior year, school counselors closely guide each student in preparation for college and the application process.

Experienced counselors help students develop resumes and artistic portfolios, practice interview and audition skills, and provide insightful guidance to give students a competitive advantage throughout the college admissions process.

Graduates of HSArts have gone on to attend top universities across the country, pursuing the arts or the major of their choice. Schools include Parsons School of Design, ArtCenter College of Design, UC Berkeley, UCLA, and NYU.



Community

Student Life at HSArts



Student Life is a vital part of the HSArts experience. Various extracurricular opportunities engage students beyond the classroom to promote community building and student wellness. Through participating in clubs and activities, students balance their social lives, academics, and Arts training. Our students are active volunteers who graduate with a minimum of 80 community service hours.

Opportunities for student leadership include participation in Student Council, National Honor Society, and Student Ambassadors Club. We have many student-led and developed clubs, including photography, yearbook and music.

Badminton and basketball are popular athletic clubs at HSArts.

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM



Outdoor Education Program

Our 6 acres of land in the Santa Cruz mountains sets our Outdoor Education program apart and supports our mission to educate the whole student. Easy access to the California coastline and mountainous terrain creates opportunities for students to develop a deeper connection to the environment and their peers. Here, our students find inspiration for their art, and real-world application for their STEAM and Humanities courses.

Discover

HSAarts AT A GLANCE

10:1

Student-Teacher ratio

35

Honors and
AP Classes

40%

Families Enrolled in
Flexible Tuition Program

100%

Graduation Rate

66%

Identify as Student
of Color

100%

Accepted by Top 100
US Universities

*as identified by US News World Report

ADMISSIONS CHECKLIST

- Submit Inquiry Form online at HSArts.org or email Admissions@HSArts.org.
- Schedule a private tour online at HSArts.org or email Admissions@HSArts.org.
- Schedule a family interview online at HSArts.org or email Admissions@HSArts.org.
- Submit an Application online:
Priority deadline: Mid-December (\$50)
Final deadline: Mid-January (\$75)
- Submit an artistic portfolio online by the end of January.
- Request academic recommendations and transcripts from counselor or teacher by the end of January.

Optional

Submit supplementary artistic recommendations from Arts teachers (dance, music, theatre, visual arts) by the end of January.



Contact us:

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Visit us at
HSArts.org/admissions
for more information or to
register for events.

OUR MISSION

The mission of San Francisco High School of the Arts is to provide students with an exceptional education in traditional arts and academics, while focusing on character development. The curriculum nurtures in students universal values and a sense of civic duty so they may positively contribute to the world.



Traditional Arts - Universal Values

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