

**2017 FDEO: Artistic Merit, Leadership, and Academic Achievement  
Award APPLICATION FORM FOR NJHSDA STUDENTS  
Florida Middle School Award**

Please print clearly or type the following information:

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Middle School Grade Level (check one) 7th \_\_\_\_\_ 8th \_\_\_\_\_

NJHSDA Chapter (name of middle school or dance studio / academy)

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Chapter Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter Fax # \_\_\_\_\_

NHSDA Chapter Sponsor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Sponsor Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Link for video: \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE COMPLETED ON OR BEFORE November 17, 2017.**

**2016/17 FDEO: Artistic Merit, Leadership, and Academic Achievement Award  
NJHSDA  
RECOMMENDATION FORM (to be filled out by Chapter Sponsor)**

Name of Student Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Chapter Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor email \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_

NJHSDA Chapter # \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in school \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Middle School GPA \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_ as of \_\_\_\_\_

TO NOMINEE: All applications and accompanying records become the property of NDEO and are not available to candidates. Many people will not complete a reference unless confidentiality can be assured. I agree for this recommendation to be confidential, and by signing and dating the waiver of access below, I, the undersigned, waive any right of access to this reference.

Signature of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please rate the nominee using the following scale (compared with all NHSDA students at your school):

4 = Outstanding – Top 10%

3 = Above Average – Top 25%

2 = Average – Middle 50%

1 = Below Average – Bottom 25%

(Write N/A IF UNOBSERVED OR UNKNOWN)

TECHNICAL EXCELLENCE: Demonstrates codified technical movements and /or positions within the demonstrated genre with clarity, accuracy, and coordination.	
TECHNICAL EXCELLENCE: Demonstrates an understanding of the technique and does not just copy movements learned.	
ARTISTIC MERIT: Demonstrates an ability to communicate effectively the elements of dance (time, energy, space).	
ARTISTIC MERIT: Demonstrates an intellectual and emotional understanding of what is required in class and performance.	
LEADERSHIP: Demonstrates leadership in class, at school, community, or state levels.	

Comments (Why would you recommend this dancer or what is special about this dancer that is not covered on the form?) \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Reference \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Signature indicates verification of nominee's GPA.

## CHECKLIST

- Application Form and Recommendation Form completed by the Chapter Sponsor.
- Student's resume citing dance training history; performance experience; dance related activities and leadership in the school, community, state and/or national level; and artistic and academic awards, honors, or scholarships. Limit 1 page.
- Essay Questions: Students will briefly address three questions provided using Times New Roman in 12pt font, one inch margins on all sides, and single spaced. Each answer should be 250 words or less.

Q#1: What was the intent of your original choreography? Please provide title of work, inspiration, and any challenges you encountered in the choreographic process.

Q #2: What leadership roles have you held in or outside of school? These may or may not relate to dance.

Q #3: What impact has dance made in your life?

- Video (3 minutes maximum) of a solo performance by the student. It must be the student's original choreography. It can be any genre of dance that best reflects the student's artistic and technical abilities. It can be an actual performance on stage during a show, site specific, or filmed in an informal setting or studio. The video can be uploaded to YouTube. Note: You need a YouTube account to upload videos.
- Email the application to [nhsdafl@gmail.com](mailto:nhsdafl@gmail.com)  
The Chapter Sponsor sends an email with a folder containing one file for the student's application form and recommendation form, one file for essay questions, and one for the resume. The Chapter Sponsor should also put the YouTube link to the student's video directly in the body of the email.
- \$25 paid by student or sponsor on [FDEO.org](http://FDEO.org) or by check made payable to Florida Dance Education Organization (FDEO) to

Daniel Lewis 8901 SW 79th Court, Miami, FL 33156.

Please mail a copy of the application with the check or at least include who and what it is for.

For payment questions contact [fdeodan@gmail.com](mailto:fdeodan@gmail.com)

**The Application Packet is not considered complete unless all components have been received by the due date of November 17.**