



Recognition and Awards Won by the Los Angeles County High School for the Arts

- The U.S. Commission on Presidential Scholars named four LACHSA students as Presidential Scholars out of 20 selected from a pool of candidates that began with the 10,000 students who competed in the National Young Arts Awards.
- Named an ***Exemplary School*** in 2012 by the Arts Schools Network, a national organization of arts schools.
- *American High School Theatre Festival* selected Arts High to perform at the prestigious Edinburgh Fringe Festival in Scotland. It was the only public school from Los Angeles County that was chosen for this great honor. An ensemble of 37 actors and 2 stage technicians presented ***Runaways*** by Elizabeth Swados in August 2009.
- *Kennedy Center Alliance for the Arts Network* – “Creative Ticket – National School of Distinction Award” (An award given to only five arts high schools in the nation and the only one given to a school in the west.)
- *Doris Duke Charitable Foundation—Talented Student in the Arts Initiative* – Selected as one of five best art high schools in the nation and #1 west of the Mississippi. (Came with a \$750,000 gift to establish a Performing Arts Endowment, which was matched locally.)
- *California Distinguished School* – Awarded to top 5% of Schools in California
- *STAR School* by the International Association of Performance and Visual Arts Schools: One of the ten best arts high schools nationally and internationally.
- The Coalition for Adequate School Housing awarded the “2007 *Leroy F. Green Design Award*,” for excellence in aesthetics and achievement in design for arts education for the new school design to Arts High architects, HMC Architects
- “A *Grammy Signature School-Gold Level-2006*” – An award given by the Grammy Foundation to only 7 U.S. high schools—out of 20,000—with the most stellar music education.
- “A 2006 Honor Roll School” – An award given by the California Business for Education Excellence Foundation and Just for Kids California for high student academic achievement.
- *Golden Bell Award* Winner - First place winner for excellence in visual arts education from the California State Board Association.
- “2007 Next Generation Winners” -- An unprecedented First Place title in all three divisions— Combo, Vocal, and Big Band High School Divisions—at the 37th Anniversary Monterey Jazz Festival National High School Jazz Competition. This is the first time in the competition’s 37-year history when a high school has won first in all three divisions.