



Fine Arts  
Letter  
Handbook

The criteria for lettering in the  
fines arts department at  
Mead High School.



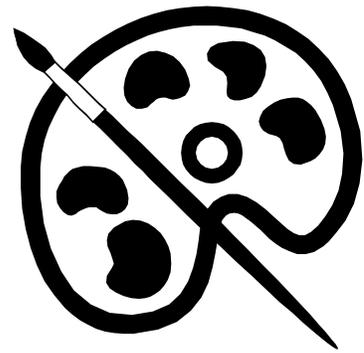
To receive a fine arts letter, students must accumulate 15 points in one school year from any or all of the fine arts areas. A candidate can also letter by participating for eight semesters in one of the fine art departments and show continuous improvement throughout this time. Example: taking an art class for 8 semesters; or participating in band or the plays for all four year of high school.

Candidates must be a member of the department to receive points from it. Example: If a candidate is a member of the music department and not the drama, he or she cannot receive points if they attend a drama production.

**Losing Letter Awards:**

- >Failure to earn credit in the corresponding classes.
- >Failure to return all school equipment in satisfactory condition.
- > Inappropriate behavior at Fine Art events. Disrespect to any event official, participant or sponsor.

# Art



3 pts. each:

- participation in art or ceramics (per sems.)
- a written critique on a museum or gallery show that the candidate attended.
- Outstanding Artist Award

5 pts each:

- entries in any of the following:
  - LUX Center for the Arts - Juried Art Show
  - ESU#2 Gallery Show
  - Design contests
  - ECNC Art Show
- Portfolio

15 pts each:

- winning entries in a non-school sponsored design contest or acceptance in the Scholastic



# Drama

- 1 pt. - participation in a festival or play outside of school
- 2 pts. - technical crew (set, lights, etc.) in a One-Act play  
- minor acting role in a One-Act or Full Length play
- 3 pts. - major acting role in a One-Act play  
- technical crew (set, lights, etc.) on a Full Length play  
- superior rating at conference or districts
- 4 pts. - major acting role in a Full Length play  
- stage manager or assistant director for a One-Act or Full Length play
- 5 pts. - outstanding actor or actress award (ITS, conference or districts)

Automatic Letter - state qualifier or participant

# Speech

- 2 pts. - superior rating at a speech contest, other than conference and districts
- 3 pts. - superior rating at conference or districts

Automatic Letter - state qualifier or participant



# Music

1 pt. each

- any performance outside of class requirements, such as singing a solo in church, singing a solo or with a small group at a school function other than a music concert. (Please bring a program or have a witness.)
- trying out for honor band or choir
- doing volunteer work for the director. (Only applied when volunteers are asked for during rehearsals.)

2 pts. each

- Accompanying for a concert or contest

3 pts each

- participation in band (per semester)
- participation in choir (per semester)
- Member of swing choir (per semester)
- Member of jazz band (per semester)

5 pts each

- being accepted to any honor band or choir other than ECNC or All-State
- ECNC Honor Band
- ECNC Honor Choir

10 pts

- a superior rating for a solo or small group other than swing choir or jazz band at district music contest.
- medal at Conference Honor Band

Automatic letter

- acceptance into All-State band or choir

