



THE CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS

January 3, 2012

Dear High School Principal:

The Connecticut Association of Schools (CAS) is hosting the Seventeenth Annual Arts Recognition Banquet to honor Connecticut's outstanding high school visual and performing arts students. We are pleased that Jostens has continued their sponsorship of this event.

The recognition dinner is scheduled for **Monday, April 9, 2012, at 6 p.m.**, at the Aqua-Turf Club in Plantsville. We invite you to select two outstanding seniors who excel in the performing and/or visual arts programs, i.e., art, dance, drama, or music. Students may be selected from one or any of the inclusive art forms. The criteria for selection are as follows:

CRITERIA: Each school may select two outstanding performing and/or visual arts seniors.

EXPLANATION: Outstanding ability in the performing and visual arts is of primary importance in making your selection. Although scholarship achievement is not a basic criterion for this award, it is suggested that it be considered when a decision needs to be made if there are multiple students with comparable ability in the visual or performing arts. The awards can go to students of either sex or students of the same sex.

SELECTION COMMITTEE: At least one school administrator and the school's performing and visual arts teachers should serve as the selection committee.

The honorees will receive plaques for excellence and distinguished service to their schools, and they will be treated to dinner as guests of CAS and Jostens.


Coordinating a major event for over 1,200 people requires a great deal of advance planning; **therefore it will not be possible to admit anyone who has not been previously registered by the principal.** Confirmation and table assignments will be mailed by late March. Schools will be seated in the order that their online registrations are received. An early response of a completed online registration will determine a favorable seating location. Please have the names of everyone attending along with their meal choices before you begin the online registration. Meal choices are beef, chicken, or vegetarian. Please verify the spelling of your honorees' names before registering so that their name tags and plaques are correct. **The correct spelling of names is the responsibility of the school.** Please follow registration instructions carefully:

Names must be entered as: First Name Last Name (i.e. Robert Smith).

Do NOT enter middle names or middle initials.

Do NOT enter names using all capital letters, commas or nick names!

Please note that registration should be submitted by the **PRINCIPAL**. To register, visit our website at www.casciac.org.

Click on the Member Login  and enter your School Number and Login ID (this information is on your membership card). Once you have successfully logged in, select "View/Edit HS Arts Banquet Reservation Form" from the list of options, fill in the required information and hit "**submit.**" You will receive an immediate email response that confirms your reservation and provides instructions for prompt payment. Any questions regarding registration and/or the banquet (including meal choices) should be directed to Noreen Liberopoulos at 203-250-1111 x3925. Please do not contact the Aqua Turf directly.

School personnel and family members are invited to attend this celebration. Each school may reserve a **table of up to 10 (maximum)** for its honorees and others attending. **The cost for the banquet this year is \$38.00 per person.** The deadline to register for this banquet is **March 9, 2012.** **Refunds will not be available for non-attendance or cancellation one week prior to the Banquet.** Your registration confirmation will serve as your invoice. **Collect registration fees from attendees and submit ONE school/district check, payable to CAS, promptly.**

Upon registration, mail payment with confirmation invoice to:

The Connecticut Association of Schools
Attn: Noreen Liberopoulos, Arts Banquet
30 Realty Drive
Cheshire, CT 06410

We look forward to receiving your reservations and to seeing you at the banquet.

Sincerely,

Maureen Berescik

Chair, CAS Arts Committee

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