

# Welcome!

Established in 2001, JSA is a nonprofit arts academy that immerses talented students in a rigorous, enriched arts education through specialized curriculum, activities, student organizations and mentoring.





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## Academics

Students in JSA take a variety of higher level courses. These include Advance Placement and College Credit Plus courses. We also have students who are involved in Career Tech Programs.

### **National Merit Scholars**

The National Merit® Scholarship Program is an academic competition for recognition and scholarships that began in 1955. Approximately 1.5 million high school students enter the program each year.

THREE of the eight national merit finalists in 2021 were JSA students!





### **Senior Capstone Projects**

Based on the concept coined by Google in 2004, JSA Seniors complete a 20 Time Capstone project.

To help inspire innovation and creativity, Google offers employees 20% of their time to work on a project of their choosing.

JSA students are offered the same and meet learning goals while creating powerful experiences that lead to increased motivation, creativity, and divergent critical thinking.



### **Scholastics**

The Scholastic Art & Writing Awards are presented by the Alliance for Young Artists & Writers. The organization's mission is to identify students with exceptional artistic and literary talent and present their remarkable work to the world through the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards. The Awards give students opportunities for recognition, exhibition, publication, and scholarships. In 2021, students across America entered nearly 230,000 original works in 28 different categories of art and writing.

JSA always has numerous entries and winners in a variety of categories.



(Keya Williams, Sophomore, Scholastic Regional Silver Key Award Winner)



(Riley Williams, Senior, Scholastic Regional Gold Key Award Winner)

### **Community Service**

#### St. Baldricks

JSA raised \$300 for St. Baldricks with our "Give Cancer the Boot" fundraiser during our fall musical. We all know someone affected by cancer. To help raise awareness of the need to support children cancer research, our musical guests purchased red cardboard boots- making donations honoring someone fighting the fight.

#### **Humane Society**

In December, JSA Dance presents "Winter Celebration". Instead of paying for a ticket, audience members bring in donations of pet supplies and food for the Stark County Humane Society. The Humane Society relies on donations to exist.

#### **Adopt A Family**

Every holiday season, JSA students collect, sort and deliver items for holiday meals and care packages to needy families within our own community.

#### Trick or Treat so Kids Can Eat

Theatre students go door to door at Halloween to ask for non-perishable food items that are donated to those in need.

Performance Opportunities



- Fall Musical
- Spring Play
- Jacks N Jills
- Jazz Band
- Holiday in the Park
- Bearly Funny Improv
  Comedy Troupe
- Arts Extravaganza
- Edge Dance Company
- Gallery Exhibits
- Dance Showcase
- Winter Celebration





Many JSA students find time to add sports into their schedule.

Current JSA students are involved in the following sports:

Baseball Basketball Bowling Cheerleading **Cross Country** Gymnastics Football Lacrosse Soccer Tennis Track & Field Volleyball



## There is no cost to join JSA!

JSA is partially funded through generous patrons. In addition, we hold a chicken dinner in the fall, the All District Arts Extravaganza in the winter as well as arts camps in the summer. Therefore, students only have small course fees for art, choir and band.





**Artists** in Residence

JSA is enhanced by partnerships and collaboration with Artists in Residence and art organizations, as well as the University of Akron, University of Mount Union and Kent State University. These partnerships allow students to explore relationships between academics, the arts and the community.

Alla Boara - Musicians Alan Haenel - Playwright OBLSK - Digital Artist Seth Stewart - Broadway Performer Frank Ticheli - Composer



### The Meraki Gallery

A student-run art gallery and exhibition space at Jackson High School. Students from the Jackson School for the Arts are responsible for all administrative and artistic roles including directors, curators, installers, and marketers.





### JSA Travel Opportunities

Playhouse Square

Local Art Museums & Colleges

**New York City** 

Disney

Ireland, Italy, Greece, Austria, Germany, and Hungary and other countries in Central Europe







Check out this helpful link: https://www.jsajackson.org/social



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