The Long Island High School for the Arts (LIHSA) Nassau County BOCES

Harborfields High School students whose post-secondary plans include studying and/or pursuing a career in either dance, drama or musical theatre may have the opportunity to enroll in coursework provided by Nassau BOCES at the Long Island High School for the Arts (LIHSA). Students who choose to explore this option must demonstrate an interest in post-secondary pursuits connected to these programs as well as a positive grade and attendance record.

In addition, LIHSA has an internal audition process. Students will be evaluated by LIHSA staff. LIHSA staff will notify the student and Harborfields High School regarding whether or not a student meets the criteria to enroll. Interested students should meet with their counselor to discuss their scheduling options.

The application process is outlined below. Students will be permitted to audition for the dance, drama or musical theater programs only and the district will make a final determination on the number of students who attend all BOCES programs, including LIHSA, each year.

Application Process:

Only current 10th grade students will be permitted to apply and audition.

- **Students with no prior experience and/or students who have not successfully completed Harborfields High School's courses in Art or Music or in associated areas of interest are <u>not</u> eligible to attend this program.
 - 1. Visit https://www.longislandhighschoolforthearts.org/pathways/performing-arts/ for information about open house events during the fall of Sophomore year.
 - 2. Students who are interested will contact their counselor to discuss the impact attending LIHSA may have on the following years' schedule and if it is a feasible option with consideration to graduation requirements.
 - 3. Students then complete a LIHSA Expressing Interest Application Form on their website https://www.longislandhighschoolforthearts.org/admissions/apply/
 - 4. LIHSA will contact students about the audition process.
 - 5. Students must schedule and complete their audition by February 1st.
 - 6. After the student contacts LIHSA to set up an audition date, LIHSA will notify the school counselor, parents/guardians and the student to inform them of the next steps in the process.
 - 7. Once all Harborfields applicants have been evaluated by LIHSA, a final determination will be made by the district as to how many students will be able to attend.

**Please note - enrollment in this program may prevent the student from participating in some academic programs at HHS due to scheduling conflicts.