

**ARIZONA
INTERSCHOLASTIC
PRESS ASSOCIATION**

**MEMBER
BENEFITS
GUIDE**



WHAT WE DO

The Arizona Interscholastic Press Association (AIPA) supports middle school and high school journalism programs (including newspaper, yearbook, web, broadcast, literary magazine) across the state.

ADVICE/HELP-We provide support and resources in areas of: mentorship, First Amendment issues, staff organization and grading, and curriculum.

FALL CONVENTION-AIPA hosts a convention each fall for Arizona scholastic programs. Members receive a free adviser admission and discounted rates for student attendees.

SPRING RECEPTION-Each spring AIPA thanks advisers for their hard work and dedication throughout the school year as well as recognized advisers of the year. AIPA members are invited to this event free of charge.

STUDENT AWARDS-The Dave Cosgrove Journalist of the Year is a statewide contest for high school seniors. The state winner is awarded a \$500 scholarship and entered into the national competition.

CONTEST-At the fall convention, awards are presented to scholastic

journalism programs in various areas. Only members are allowed to enter the contests.

ADVISER AWARD-AIPA recognizes member advisers for their excellence in scholastic journalism. Advisers can be nominated for the Freeman Hover (1-5 years of advising experience) or the Forest Martin (6 or more years of advising experience) Adviser of the Year Awards.

HALL OF FAME-The AIPA Distinguished Adviser Hall of Fame honors in perpetuity those outstanding media advisers and professionals who through their contributions to scholastic journalism have brought honor to themselves, their high school, the profession and the community they represent.

ADVISER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT-AIPA hosts workshops for advisers at all levels.

MENTORING-Working in conjunction with the Journalism Education Association (JEA), we offer members advice or help with teaching journalism and advising student media. Advisers are paired with a veteran teacher/adviser to mentor them.

MISSION STATEMENT

BOARD MEMBERSHIP

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The Arizona Interscholastic Press Association supports free and responsible scholastic journalism by:

- Opposing the censorship of student expression in any form.
- Increasing networking among advisers throughout the state.
- Helping new journalism teachers/advisers in the development of instructional materials.
- Recognizing and rewarding outstanding teachers and advisers.
- Encouraging journalism teachers/advisers to increase their professional awareness through membership in the AIPA.
- Sponsoring student journalism contests, awards and recognition.
- Providing annual scholastic journalism conventions and workshops.
- Providing scholarships for workshops, conventions and

other journalism studies.

- Informing membership of the many opportunities for minority journalism students provided by state universities and community colleges.
- Encouraging AIPA members to support Scholastic Journalism Week.
- Expanding the AIPA's liaison work with the state media, yearbook companies and other professional organizations.

AIPA BOARD MEMBERS

AIPA Board Members serve for a two year term. Each year half of the Board is elected to office. Elections are held in the spring, with results announced at the spring reception. Candidates for the AIPA Board should be willing to attend meeting and perform the duties of their office. All members are encouraged to consider becoming a member of the AIPA Board.



MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS:

- Participating in the Fall Contest (only members can enter).
- Attending the Fall Convention with a discounted registration fee.
- Attending Summer Workshop (only member schools may attend).
- Invitation to free spring Adviser Reception
- Consideration for AIPA Adviser Awards
- Access to mentoring, curriculum, support for First Amendment issues
- Voting privileges.
- Members can serve on the AIPA Board.

Single Publication Member

\$100

In addition to the membership benefits, single publication members receive 10 contest entries (\$50 value; additional entries \$5/each), discounted Fall Convention and Summer Workshop registration rates and one free adviser Fall Convention registration.

School-wide Membership

\$200

In addition to the membership benefits, school-wide members

receive 25 contest entries (\$125 value; additional entries \$5/each) and three free adviser Fall Convention registrations

Teacher/Adviser Member

\$50

Teacher/adviser members are media advisers and educators of public and private schools, community colleges, schools or departments of journalism in universities.

Associate Member

\$75

Associate members are individuals outside of the field of education who have a strong interest in journalism. Associate membership includes vendor/display privileges at the AIPA Fall Convention, inclusion in the Fall Convention program and an invitation to the spring reception. Associate members may participate in meetings or conventions, but cannot vote nor hold office nor nominate candidates for office nor propose actions or programs.

JEA Membership

\$65 (adviser) \$80 (associate)

AIPA works in conjunction with JEA to offer membership sign up through its organization.

FALL CONVENTION

The fall convention is an annual gathering of middle school and high school journalists and their advisers.

AIPA works with current advisers, local journalism professionals and yearbook companies to prepare learning sessions from keynote speakers, breakout sessions, hands-on workshops and discussions. Other convention activities include an exhibit area with vendors, the fall contest, general excellence awards,

critiques and an adviser lunch.

Breakout sessions are from all media types-newspaper, online, broadcast, yearbook and literary magazine.

Typical attendance is 700 journalists and advisers and typically takes place at Arizona State University.

AIPA members and their students receive discounted registration fees for the convention.



SPRING RECEPTION

Each spring AIPA thanks advisers for their hard work and dedication throughout the school year as well as recognized advisers of the year.

The reception usually takes place in April/May at a dining establishment. The evening includes

the announcement of new board members and recognition and celebration of advisers of the year.

AIPA members are invited to this event free of charge, non-members and guests are asked to pay a nominal fee for attending.



ADVISER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Each fall AIPA offers a professional development opportunity for advisers regardless of their experience level or the type of publication they advise. Professional development opportunities are typically free to AIPA members.

The workshop includes:

- technology in the classroom
- curriculum ideas
- sharing of best practices
- differentiated instruction strategies
- grading procedures

MENTORING PROGRAM

Working in conjunction with JEA, the mentor program helps beginning journalism teachers make a successful transition into journalism teaching and media advising by using expertise of veteran journalism advisers.

JEA mentoring program goals

1. Retention – Provide the support a new teacher adviser needs to remain in the position for multiple years
2. Improve – Work with the teacher / adviser to improve their knowledge and skills
3. Build – Build the journalism program at the mentee's school through involvement in regular evaluation and scholastic journalism conferences and contests.

Mentoring program description

The JEA Mentoring Program has been in operation since the fall of 2007.

By providing an ongoing support system to improve the retention rate of new journalism teachers,

the hope is that new advisers in this program will stay with their publications and build them into strong, effective programs.

How the Mentoring Program works

The mentors are asked to:

- Participate in a training session held during the summer at the JEA Advisors Institute.
- Use the mentoring process that they will learn during the training, which is modeled on the New Teacher Center's mentoring program.
- Make a two-year commitment to the program.
- Mentor at least two mentees the first year. By the second year, the mentor will take on more mentees.
- Collect data and prepare reports to establish the effectiveness of the program.

The mentors' support comes from both scholastic and professional press associations to provide stipends for mentors, registration fees for state conferences, free memberships, scholarships for mentees to new adviser workshops, etc.

ADVISER AND STUDENT AWARDS

ADVISER AWARDS

Each year the AIPA honors two advisers, a new one and an experienced one. Anyone can nominate an adviser for these awards. Nominations typically take place at the fall convention and awarded during the spring reception. Winners must be members of AIPA.

Freeman Hover “Award for Excellence in Journalism”

(new adviser - fewer than 5 years experience)

Freeman Hover was a long-time adviser of the Rincon High School newspaper in Tucson. Involved in AIPA since the early days, Freeman was a model of excellence in scholastic journalism winning many national awards and having his publication cited in several places.

The candidate should meet the following criteria:

- be a student media adviser with fewer than 5 year experience.
- be willing ot further his/her knledge of journalism as well as the knowledge of his/her students in the field of journalism
- be willing to work toward producing a quality publication
- be an active participant in AIPA, i.e. by teaching a class at convention or workshop, assist in planning a convention or volunteering to be a board member
- be a participant in attending conventions to further his/her knowledge and/or by taking classes to keep current with trends in journalism and learn good journalistic practices

Forest R. Martin “Award for Excellence in Journalism”

(for experienced advisers)

Forest R. Martin was a pioneer in scholastic journalism in Arizona. He was a yearbook adviser at Camelback High School in Phoenix. After his death in 1971 at the age of 36, his widow, Shirley, established a memorial in his hon to be awarded for excellence in scholastic journalism.

The candidate should meet the following criteria:

- be actively teaching journalism in his/her own school
- be dedicated to promoting journalism in his/her own school
- be an active participant in AIPA by having participated in

- workshops and/or conventions or having worked on committees or is a board member
- have taught classes at workshop or conducted sessions at a convention
- have inspired fellow advisers and/or students
- be an active role model for journalism excellence.
- be planning to study journalism or mass communication in college
- have a least a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale
- have participated in high school journalism for at least two years
- submit a portfolio
- be a student of an AIPA and JEA member adviser

AIPA Distinguished Adviser Hall of Fame

Started in Fall, 2003, the AIPA Distinguished Adviser Hall of Fame recognizes and honors individuals who have made outstanding contribution to scholastic journalism in the state of Arizona, and honors the founder and leader of AIPA who gave birth to or helped perpetuate an organization which has aided countless student journalists in their quest for excellence.

STUDENT AWARDS

Dave Cosgrove Student Journalist of the Year (JOY)

This award is a statewide contest for high school seniors. The state winner is awarded a \$500 scholarship and entered into the JEA National Journalist of the Year competition. Portfolio entries must be submitted to a private Google Drive folder by February 15.

The candidate should meet the following criteria:

- be a graduating high school senior

Fall Contest

AIPA member advisers can enter the broadcast, yearbook, newspaper and literary magazine design and writing contest. Superior, Excellent and Honorable Mention awards are presented at the fall contest each year. All contests are judged using standards similar to those used by the JEA, CSPA and NSPA. Professional journalists working in the field are used to judge the entries. Each entry must have been created/published between August and May of the current school year

General Excellence Awards

General Excellence awards are given to broadcast, yearbook, newspaper and literary magazines who demonstrate overall excellence in design, writing and/or producing of a publication.

The fall contest and General Excellence entry fee is \$5 per entry. Entries are submitted online and are due by June 15.



Arizona Interscholastic Press Association Membership Form

Today's Date _____

School Information:

School Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Newspaper

Publication Name: _____

Adviser: _____

e-mail: _____

Yearbook

Publication Name: _____

Adviser: _____

e-mail: _____

Broadcast

Broadcast Name: _____

Adviser: _____

e-mail: _____

Literary Magazine

Publication Name: _____

Adviser: _____

e-mail: _____

Other Student Media:

Media Name: _____

Adviser: _____

e-mail: _____



Membership & Contest Registration

Single Membership & Contest Registration \$100

This covers membership for one publication, as well as Fall Convention registration for 1 adviser, and up to 10 (total) entries in the Fall Contest. Additional entries \$5 each.
More info available at: <http://www.azaipa.org/membership>

School-wide Membership & Contest Registration \$200

This covers school-wide membership, as well as Fall Convention registration for up to 3 advisers, and up to 25 (total) entries in the Fall Contest. Additional entries \$5 each.
More info available at: <http://www.azaipa.org/membership>

Single Publication Membership only \$50

School-Wide Publications Membership \$75

Join JEA (adviser membership) \$65

**proceeds will partially benefit AIPA if you join here*

Total Amount Due: _____

Payment Options

Check made payable to AIPA

Purchase Order # _____

Mail form and payment to:

AIPA • Suite 174 3241 E. Shea
Blvd Phoenix, Arizona 85028-3365

Attn: Membership & Contest

To submit a membership form online, visit azaipa.org