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**START A NEW SHA CHAPTER**

*The SHA offers recognition awards for extraordinary chapter activities.*



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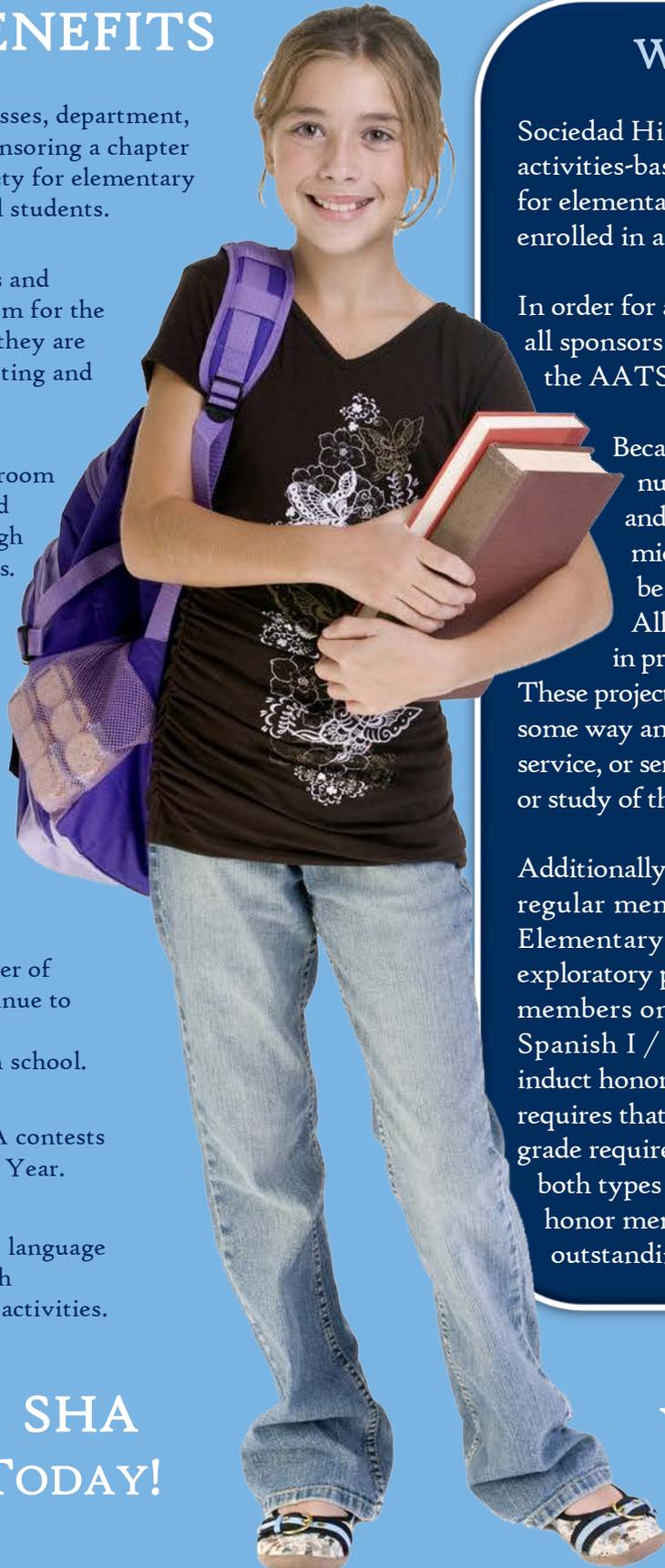


*An activities-based Spanish and Portuguese society for elementary and middle school students*



# SHA BENEFITS

- ★ Publicize your classes, department, and school by sponsoring a chapter of a national society for elementary and middle school students.
- ★ Motivate students and increase enthusiasm for the language because they are engaged in interesting and fun projects.
- ★ Extend your classroom into the school and community through your SHA activities.
- ★ Link your chapter with others across the country to share activities.
- ★ Enhance student pride in the projects and in their membership.
- ★ Increase the number of students that continue to study Spanish and Portuguese in high school.
- ★ Participate in SHA contests for Activity of the Year.
- ★ Advocate for early language instruction through successful chapter activities.



## What is the SHA?

Sociedad Hispánica de Amistad (SHA) is an activities-based Spanish and Portuguese society for elementary and middle school students enrolled in a Spanish and/or Portuguese class.

In order for a school to have an SHA chapter, all sponsors (teachers) must be members of the AATSP.

Because there are almost an infinite number of program styles for Spanish and Portuguese in elementary and middle schools, the SHA is designed to be flexible and curriculum friendly. All students are required to participate in projects in order to become members. These projects must use Spanish or Portuguese in some way and involve school or community service, or serve to further the appreciation, use, or study of the language.

Additionally, there are two membership types: regular members and honor members. Elementary and middle schools offering exploratory programs usually induct regular members only. Middle schools offering Spanish I / Portuguese I and above usually induct honor members because this membership requires that the chapter establish minimum grade requirements. Some middle schools offer both types of memberships, reserving the honor membership for their most outstanding students.

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