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**Los Angeles County Office of Education
Arts Policy**

The Board of Education believes that Arts Education, which includes; dance, music, theatre, and visual arts, is part of the core academic curriculum. All students shall have equal access to this curriculum.

The Board of Education defines arts education to be comprehensive, sequential, standards-based, assessment driven, taught by qualified/credentialed teachers, to achieve the goals outlined in the Visual and Performing Arts Framework and content Standards.

The Board of Education supports the need to provide adequate funding for:
Standards-Based instructional materials, equipment, and facilities
Professional Development for classroom and arts instructors
Arts Education Coordinator for Educational Programs

The Superintendent of designee shall develop a 5-7 year budgeted plan to implement Arts Education in LACOE schools.