

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-08:28

LANCASTER SCHOOL DISTRICT
ARTS AND MUSIC BLOCK GRANT

WHEREAS, arts education, which includes dance, music, theater and the visual arts, is an important part of basic education for all students, kindergarten through grade eight, to provide for balanced learning and to develop the full potential to their minds; and

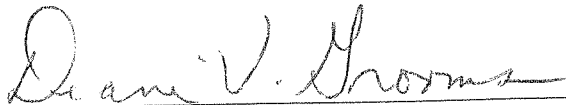
WHEREAS, through well planned instruction and activities in the arts, children develop initiative, creative ability, self expression, self reflection, thinking skills, discipline, a heightened appreciation of beauty, and cross cultural understanding;

WHEREAS, the State Department of Education has made available the Arts and Music Block Grant for schools to use to establish arts programs, staff development in the arts and resources for K-12 Arts Education; and

WHEREAS, The Lancaster School District Board of Education supports the following elements, among others, in developing and implementing the District's arts education in district schools:

1. Standards-based arts curriculum, scheduling and assessment
2. Qualified teachers in the arts
3. Professional development for classroom and arts teacher consistent with California's Visual and Performing Arts content standards
4. Standards-based instructional materials and equipment
5. Facilities appropriate to achieve educational/instructional standards
6. Opportunities to showcase pupil learning and pupil work
7. Integration of and access to professional artists, cultural organizations and other community arts resources.
8. Provision for ongoing review, program evaluation, and development of the District's arts education program.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lancaster School District Board of Education supports the allocation of the Arts and Music Block Grant funds to individual school sites, as well as to the Arts for All District Wide Plan, as budgeted.



Diane V. Grooms, Clerk
Lancaster School District Board of Trustees

Adopted the 5th day of February 2008.