

Visual and Performing Arts Education

Palos Verdes Peninsula

Board Policy

BP 6142.6

Instruction

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The Board of Education recognizes that arts education, defined as instruction in dance, music, theater, and the visual arts, is an essential and integral part of education for all students. As a body of knowledge and skills to be acquired and applied by students, arts education enables students to develop critical and creative thinking skills, initiative, discipline, and perpetual abilities. Through arts education students will gain literacy in the arts and be inspired to incorporate the arts into all areas of lifelong learning.

The Board recognizes that a comprehensive curriculum includes sequential arts education as a part of the program for all students in all grades.

The K-12 arts education program should enable students to achieve the goals outlined in the California Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA) Content Standards. The Board recognizes that high quality, standards-based arts education includes discrete as well as integrated instruction in dance, music, theater, and visual arts. Classroom teachers and arts specialists share responsibility for the provision of arts instruction.

The Board recognizes that regular, ongoing instructional time, district oversight, credentialed staff, professional artists, community arts resources, facilities, supplies and instructional materials are all necessary to implement a quality arts program. Fundamental to the success of arts education is a continuing program of standards-based professional development to assure quality instruction in all areas of the curriculum.

(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)

(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements/Standards of Proficiency)

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