

Instruction

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS EDUCATION

The Wiseburn School District Board of Trustees recognizes that Arts Education, including dance, music, theater and the visual arts, is an integral part of the core education for all students. An arts education enables students to develop aesthetic appreciation, critical and creative thinking skills, initiative, discipline and perceptive abilities that encompass all areas of life.

In order to implement a quality, standards-based, sequential and comprehensive arts education curriculum, with equity and access for all, the Governing Board recognizes the need to provide the following:

- Standards-based curriculum with ongoing assessment and evaluation
- Qualified teachers credentialed in the arts
- Professional Development in California's Visual and Performing Arts Content Standards for classroom and arts specialists teachers
- Standards-based instructional materials and equipment
- Facilities appropriate to achieve educational/instructional standards
- Opportunities to showcase student learning and student work
- Access to professional artists and cultural organizations

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a budgeted plan, establish procedures to implement Board policies, and provide for the on-going review, evaluation and development of the District's arts education program. As the arts are a core subject, in times of budget cutbacks, the Board recognizes that reductions should be distributed equitably across subject areas, rather than eliminating any specific programs.