



THE ARTS BRING OUT THE BEST IN OUR STUDENTS





The Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) offers a historic opportunity to invest in our children's future. Arts education aligns with LCFF goals and nurtures a set of unique skills and outcomes for students that help them succeed in school and in life.

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GOALS OF LCFF	BENEFITS OF ARTS EDUCATION
STUDENT ENGAGEMENT	Higher attendance rates and lower drop out rates (1)
PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT	Increases parent and community involvement (2)
SCHOOL CLIMATE	Decreases disciplinary problems and encourages positive student attitudes about their classroom (2)
COMMON CORE STANDARDS	The arts have a central and essential role in achieving the finest aspects of the common core (3)
BROAD COURSE OF STUDY	Theater, dance, music and the visual arts are a valued part of a broad course of study, as set out in the state education code (51210, 51220)
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT	Boosts test scores and achievement in literacy, math skills and ELA especially for English Language Learners and low-income students (1)
PUPIL OUTCOMES	Increases graduation rates; fosters 21st Century work skills like creativity, critical thinking and collaboration (1, 2, 4)
BASIC SERVICES	Credentialed arts teachers enrich standards-based materials and learning in classrooms (2)

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