I. The Board of Education recognizes that arts education, including dance, theatre, music, and visual arts, is a necessary part of the core curriculum for all kindergarten through grade twelve students.

II. The Board of Education encourages and fosters the development, implementation, and ongoing evaluation of a quality, standards-based, sequential, and comprehensive K-12 arts education, with equity and access for all its students.

III. The Board of Education supports the following components in developing and implementing the District’s arts education in all district schools:

   a. Professional development for classroom and arts teachers consistent with California’s Visual and Performing Arts content standards arts and focused on the latest strategies and methodologies in the arts
   b. Highly qualified arts teachers who utilize student-centered methods and instructional techniques
   c. Standards-based curriculum and assessment that prepares students to be life-long learners, participants and consumers of the arts
   d. Standards-based materials, equipment, and literature
   e. Facilities appropriate to achieve educational/instructional standards
   f. Opportunities to showcase student learning and student work
   g. Integration of and access to professional artists, cultural organizations and arts resources within the community

IV. The Board of Education supports the need to provide funding for high quality, standards-based K-12 arts education in an equitable manner, consistent with the principle that arts education is an integral part of the core curriculum.

V. The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures to implement Board policies, and provide for the on-going coordination, evaluation, and development of the District’s arts education program and plan.