

**VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS EDUCATION**

The Governing Board recognizes that by studying visual and performing arts, students learn to develop initiative, discipline, perceptual abilities and critical and creative thinking skills that extend to all areas of life. The Board believes that a comprehensive arts education program should be an integral part of the basic education offered to all students in all grades. The Board encourages all teachers to use the arts to facilitate learning in the subjects they teach.

The Governing Board supports a comprehensive curriculum that includes arts education as part of the program for all students as stated in the California Department of Education *Visual and Performing Arts Framework for California Public Schools, Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve* (1996) and the *California Visual and Performing Arts Content Standards K-12*. Students shall have the opportunity to continually improve artistic skills, create and/or perform original works, acquire an appreciation of arts from many eras and cultures and develop an intellectual basis for making aesthetic judgments.

*(cf. 6143 – Courses of Study)*

*(cf. 6146.1 – High School Graduation Requirements)*

The Superintendent or designee shall encourage the integration of community arts resources into the school program. Students shall have the opportunities to attend musical and theatrical performances, observe the work of accomplished artists and work directly with visiting artists.

In addition, the Superintendent shall establish procedures to implement board policies and to provide for the ongoing review, evaluation, and development of the district's arts education program.

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

*8810-8820 Arts Education*

*8950-8958 California summer school of the arts*

*51225.3 Graduation requirements*

*Management Resources:*

CDE PUBLICATIONS

*The Visual and Performing Arts Framework for California Public Schools: Kindergarten through Grade Twelve, 1996*

Policy  
adopted: February 27, 2001

**PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
Pasadena, California

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PASADENA, CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 1,648

RESOLUTION FOR ARTS EDUCATION IN THE  
PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Pasadena Board of Education recognizes that arts education, including dance, music, theater, and visual arts, is an integral part of basic education for all students; and

WHEREAS, arts education enables students to develop critical and creative thinking skills, initiative, discipline, and perceptual abilities that extend to all areas of life; and

WHEREAS, the Pasadena Board of Education adopted the California Visual and Performing Arts Content Standards on January 28, 2003; and

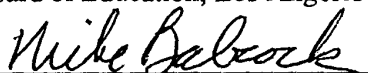
WHEREAS, the Pasadena Unified School District encourages all schools and teachers to use the arts to facilitate learning in the other subjects of the core curricula, including history, geography, language arts, math and science; and

WHEREAS, the Pasadena Unified School District recognizes that weekly instructional time, credentialed staff (arts teachers in dance, music, theater, and visual arts, general classroom teachers and an arts coordinator), community arts resources, facilities, supplies, and curriculum materials are all necessary to implement a quality arts program; and

WHEREAS, fundamental to the success of arts education is a continuing program of standards based in-service for the staff, to improve their ability to deliver quality arts instruction across all curriculum areas and to maximize the opportunities for student achievement; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Pasadena Unified School District directs the superintendent (or designee) to develop a budget plan, and on-going review, evaluation and development of the Pasadena Unified School District's arts education program.

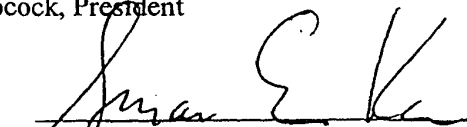
PASSED, ADOPTED, AND ADOPTED this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May 2003, at the regular meeting of the Pasadena Unified School District Board of Education, Los Angeles County, California.



Mike Babcock, President



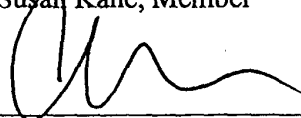
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