

Meeting Date: 07/28/26

Agenda Item: Prop 28-Arts and Music in Schools Plan

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Effective Date: 08/01/26

Background: On November 8, 2022, California voters approved Proposition 28: The Arts and Music in Schools (AMS) Funding Guarantee and Accountability Act. The measure required the states to establish a new, ongoing program supporting arts instruction in schools beginning in 2023-24.

The legislation allocates 1 percent of the kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) portion of the Proposition 28 funding guarantee provided in the prior fiscal year, excluding funding appropriated for the AMS education program. Local educational agencies (LEAs) with 500 or more students must ensure that at least 80 percent of AMS funds to be expended are used to employ certificated or classified employees to provide arts education program instruction. The remaining funds must be used for training, supplies, materials, and arts educational partnership programs, with no more than 1 percent of funds received to be used for an LEA's administrative expenses. All funds must be used to provide an "arts education program" which includes (but is not limited to) instruction and training, supplies, materials, and arts educational partnership programs for instruction in dance, media arts, music, theatre, and visual arts including folk art, painting, sculpture, photography, craft arts, creative expression including graphic arts and design, computer coding, animation, music composition, ensembles, script writing, costume design, film, and video.

Fiscal Impact: \$16,500

Sherman Thomas Charter High School Proposed Spending of Prop 28–Arts and Music in Schools Plan		
Suggested Use	Purpose	Approximate Total
Classroom Devices	Media Arts/Yearbook	\$3,000
Professional Development	Professional development to help create media arts course	\$3,000
Materials and Supplies	Materials and supplies for the course	\$2,500
Arts & Music Education Field Trip(s)	Transportation \$3,500 Entry for 50 max. \$5,000	\$8,000
Total		\$16,500

Number of full-time equivalent teachers	0
Number of pupils served	100-based on student interest, open to all students
Number of school sites providing arts education programs using AMS funds	1