

**Meeting Date:** 07/28/26

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

**Responsible Staff:** Dawniele Oliphant

**Effective Dates:** 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 98 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, and materials, and arts educational partnership programs, with no more than 1 percent of funds received to be used for 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:** \$37,891

**Sherman Thomas Charter School  
Proposed Spending of  
Prop 28 – Arts and Music in Schools Plan**

| <b>Suggested Use</b>                                                                                                                                                                                     | <b>Estimated Costs</b> |
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| 0.257 Art Teacher                                                                                                                                                                                        | \$15,869               |
| Curriculum + TK-8th Project Supplies                                                                                                                                                                     | \$10,022               |
| Field Trips: Must be directly tied to arts instruction—for example, visits to art galleries, performances, artist studios, or culturally enriching experiences that supplement classroom arts curricula. | \$12,000               |
| <b>Total</b>                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>\$37,891</b>        |

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| <b>Number of pupils served</b>                                                           | 235 (optional) – Open to all students |
| <b>Number of full-time equivalent teachers, classified personnel, and teaching aides</b> | 0.26 FTE                              |
| <b>Number of School sites providing arts education programs with AMS funds</b>           | 1 (single school site LEA)            |

*Board Approved: 08/25/2026*