

ARTS ED NOW

A statewide campaign to increase *active* participation in arts education at all schools in New Jersey.

CAMPAIGN GOALS

by 2020:

- All NJ students will have access to arts education
- Increase the number of schools providing more than two art forms
- Increase arts participation in elementary and middle schools to 100%
- Increase arts participation in high schools to 60%
- Increase school engagement with community resources
- Develop a statewide network of local stakeholders

WHY

WE NEED IT

- Students who participate in arts education do better in school and in life!
- The longer students are engaged in arts education, the better they do overall.
- State policies aren't being maximized to engage students in arts education.
- Not all NJ students have the same access to arts education.
- **Local ambassadors can make a difference!** We can influence what's offered in schools and how much students participate in arts education.

WHO

CAN TAKE ACTION?

BE AN AMBASSADOR!

- **Students:** Take more arts classes! Tell your story. How has arts ed made you be a better student/person?
- **Parents:** Encourage your kids to participate in arts education. Get educated about its impact, speak out and organize other parents to get involved.
- **Teachers:** Bring Arts Ed Now into the classroom. Speak out and organize other teachers to get involved.
- **Community Leaders:** Share Arts Ed Now with your circles of influence. Engage Boards, organizations and institutions to promote arts education.
- **Policy-makers and Administrators:** Push for more dedicated resources for arts education at the state and district levels.

ACTION ITEMS

**Jump into
CAMPAIGN
CENTRAL!
ArtsEdNow.org**

- Learn more about the impact of arts ed!
- Visit "Campaign Central" to see what's happening at your own local school.
- Raise local awareness, advocate for change with online tools.
- Stay in touch with the statewide movement to share stories and ideas!

STATS & STORIES

Join the Facebook group to share ideas! Search for: "Arts Ed Now"

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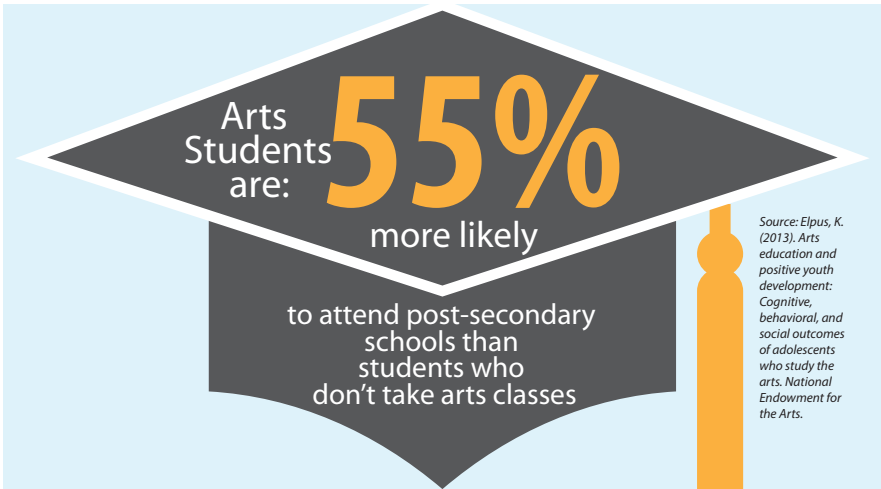
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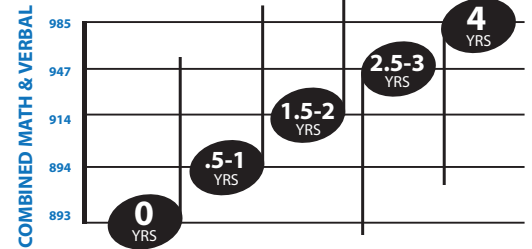
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SAT SCORES & MUSIC ED in High School by students on free and reduced lunch programs



Source: Kelly, S. N. (2012). A Comparison of Cohort Data from 2007/08 to 2010/11 Regarding Fine Arts-Related Instruction's Influence on Academic Success. Florida Music Director, 66(3), 8-10.

