

Howell Mountain Elementary School District



Prop 28- Art and Music Fund Plan

History

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 state 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 are required to 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.

Allowable Expenses

“Arts education program” 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, and craft arts, creative expressions, including graphic arts and design, computer coding, animation, music composition and ensembles, and script writing, costume design, film, and video.

HMESD Art Therapy and Art Appreciation

For the 2026-2027 School Year, HMESD will be partnering with Dr. Leticia Rosado Russell and Pete Fitzpatrick to provide Art/Therapy, Art Appreciation, and band to students.

To create an enriching art/music experience for all students, Dr. Leticia Rosado Russell will work with administration and teaching staff to provide weekly Art Therapy and Art Appreciation Lessons. With Pete Fitzpatrick, HMESD will provide opportunities for students to learn how to play musical instruments and perform in a school band. When possible, HMESD will also provide field trips linked to providing enriching experiences in the Arts.

HMESD Art Therapy and Art Appreciation Budget

By leveraging Prop 28 (Art & Music Fund), HMESD will be able to provide more art lessons and enriching experiences through an agreement with Dr. Rosado Russell and Pete Fitzpatrick. This plan will not exceed \$14,000 per fiscal year.

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