



Proposition 28: Arts and Music in Schools Funding Annual Report Fiscal Year 2024-25

Name: Downey Unified School District

CDS Code: 1964451-0000000

Allocation Year: 2024-25

1. Narrative description of the Prop 28 arts education program(s) funded. (2500 character limit).

Downey Unified School District underwent a strategic planning process during the 2024-2025 school year resulting in the development of a Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA) Strategic Plan for 2025-2030 clearly delineating goals and strategies in alignment with Proposition 28 Arts and Music in Schools (AMS) Funding initiative.

During the 2024-2025 fiscal year, AMS funds were utilized for continued expansion of music, dance, and visual arts programming at all elementary schools enhanced by local partnerships with the Downey Symphony, Stay Arts, and The Music Center. AMS funding expenditures include certificated salaries for VAPA and PE Itinerant teachers, professional development, vertical articulation, stipends for certificated teachers providing after school arts related clubs such as Folklorico, dance, chorus, drama, and Esports, schoolwide VAPA assemblies, field trips, sound systems, speakers, risers, musical instruments, and arts materials.

At the secondary level, AMS funds enabled schools to hire VAPA Specialists to expand and enhance arts offerings, create dance / pep squads at all four middle schools, offer marching band at Griffiths Middle School, upgrade stage curtains, take art field trips, purchase new art display boards, musical instruments, instructional materials, equipment, and software to support VAPA teachers and students served in the art and music education programs offered. Additionally, the funds supported the district Conservatory and Mariachi programs and enabled the expansion of Folklorico and other culturally relevant art forms.

Number of full-time equivalent teachers (certificated) - 6 Music teachers, .5 PE Elementary teachers, 4 MS VAPA teachers and 2 HS VAPA teachers	12.5
Number of full-time equivalent personnel (classified) - Middle and High school music coaches	19.85
Number of students served (includes all elementary, middle and high school students receiving VAPA education)	16,205
Number of school sites providing arts education	21

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