

Arts Council of Greater Grand Rapids

Arts Education Grants

Guidelines

Sample Projects:

- Start-up funding and networking support to help launch a Cultural Arts Committee (in a specific school and/or across a school district);
- Funding for special resources that have a long-term benefit in the arts/music/theatre/dance classroom, i.e. special equipment, videos/prints, body of musical scores, research materials, exhibit areas;
- Funding to provide access to professional performances and/or exhibits that directly connect to arts learning/classroom curriculum (transportation, tickets/admission);
- Funding to hire outside arts professionals to enhance existing program;
- Applications with matching cash and/or in-kind support from at least one other source will receive preference.

Panel will prioritize:

- Schools demonstrating high degree of support for arts learning (on-site arts specialists, financial support, programming that has grown over the years);
- Projects with demonstrated support from school leadership (principal, teacher, parents involved);
- Potential long-term benefit of one-time funding (permanent assets to arts program, equipment, instruments etc.);
- Demonstrated support for teaching and measuring the arts standards;
- Project/programs that have funding from at least one other source. Funding can be cash or in-kind.

Who can apply:

- Principal of a Kent County school;
- Chair or president of a PTA or PTO or Cultural Arts Committee with nonprofit incorporation status in a Kent County school, or parent of a student in a school without a PTA or PTO;
- Teacher in a Kent County school.

We will not fund:

- Basic classroom supplies that are normally the responsibility of the schools (crayons, paints, paper pencils, etc.);
- Ongoing performances or exhibits that are part of extra curricular activities or clubs not directly linked to classroom studies.

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