



# arts for all

## Los Angeles County Regional Blueprint for Arts Education

Established by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, *Arts for All* is a dynamic, county-wide collaboration working to create vibrant classrooms, schools, communities and economies through the restoration of all arts disciplines into the core curriculum for each of our 1.7 million public K-12 students. It uses a pragmatic approach to assist school districts as they build the foundations that support quality, progressive arts education. From assessment and planning to implementation and sustainability, *Arts for All's* collaboration connects its districts to effective tools and resources at each step of the way so arts education moves from moral imperative to classroom reality.

### BENEFITS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT PARTICIPATION

#### Impact on Students

- Increased access to standards-based dance, music, theater, and visual arts instruction across grade levels
- Diverse learning that sharpens “21<sup>st</sup> century” skills
- Multiple pathways to engagement in learning

#### Arts Education Planning

- **Personalized coaching** to clarify and codify school district’s value of arts education and set action steps
- Development of shared goals that inform decisions in times of fiscal uncertainty as well as stability

#### Professional Development and Training

- Subsidized training for arts education planning teams in internationally recognized Technology of Participation meeting facilitation
- **Professional development for district-level Arts Coordinators** to maximize effectiveness in meeting district’s goals for the arts
- **Leadership Fellows Program for school district leaders** to advance implementation of arts education plans
- Training in effective communication with district and community stakeholders and local media

#### Advocacy and Community Development

- Occasion to reinvigorate relationships/create new collaborations between school district, parents, and community stakeholders
- **Training for teams of stakeholders and community members** to support school district’s goals for arts education
- Support of Arts for LA, with community organizer on staff and cutting-edge online advocacy campaign tools

#### Evaluation

- **School-site indicators and data collection of quality, access and equity** allow districts to strategically target programs and monitor progress over time
- Arts Education Performance Indicators Report tracks district-level infrastructure across all County districts
- Case studies document and disseminate progress made by school districts in developing and implementing arts education plans

#### Funding Opportunities

- *Arts for All* **Residency Grant Program** provides matching funds to bring high-quality artist residencies into schools
- *Arts for All* staff offers information and guidance on local and national funding resources

#### Coordination and Support

- Free, searchable databases at LAArtsEd.org connect school districts to high-quality tools and resources
- Dedicated arts education staff at LA County Arts Commission and Office of Education provide support, resources, and updates on developments at local, state, and national levels
- Ongoing support from key stakeholders that include County Supervisors, funders, and cultural leaders

#### Recognition

- Participation in nationally recognized model for arts education reform
- Acknowledgement of progress by Board of Supervisors
- Opportunity for “good news” articles highlighting work and success of school district