

# Proposition 28: Arts and Music in Schools (AMS)

## Educator & Arts Professionals Reference Guide

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### Funding Usage

The purpose of AMS is to be an ongoing source of funding for preschools through grade twelve public schools to supplement (expand) arts and music education programming. "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, craft arts, creative expression including graphic arts and design, computer coding, animation, music composition, ensembles, script writing, costume design, film, and video.



Local educational agencies (LEAs) with more than 500 pupils must expend at least 80 percent of the funds to employ certificated or classified employees to provide arts education instruction, unless a waiver is granted from the California Department of Education (CDE).

### Expenditure Plans

For each school site or preschool, the principal or program director shall develop an expenditure plan for the funds. The CDE is not providing a template for this plan and encourages collaboration to make the best choices that serve the students in their local community.

### Local Funding Amounts

The CDE will publish the annual funding per school on the AMS funding website and apportion the funds to LEAs to distribute to individual school sites.

Schools may pool their AMS funds for inter-school programs, but funds cannot be reallocated to different school sites.

### How to Prepare



#### Participate in Local Program Inventories

Learn what is already offered at local schools and how they plan to supplement programs.

#### Research New Job Opportunities



Update resumes, certificates, or credentials as new educators and contractors will be needed.



#### Outreach & Local Partnerships

Help bridge school sites with local businesses and artists to facilitate authentic collaboration.

#### Know the California Arts Framework



This document provides best teaching practices in dance, media arts, music, theater, and visual arts (adopted July 2020 by the State Board of Education).

### Additional Resources

Proposition 28—Arts and Music in Schools Web Page

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/pa/prop28ams.asp>

Proposition 28—Arts and Music in Schools FAQs

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/eo/in/prop28artsandmusicdfundingfaq.asp>

California Arts Education Framework

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/vp/cf/>

California Arts Standards for Public Schools, Prekindergarten Through Grade Twelve

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/be/st/ss/documents/caartsstandards.pdf>

Commission on Teacher Credentialing: Prop28

<https://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/assignment-resources/prop-28--arts-and-music-in-schools>

