

2023-24 Proposition 28 – Arts and Music in Schools Funding Annual Report

Narrative description of the Prop 28 arts education program(s) funded.

Due to school sites receiving their allocations mid-year, the majority of them chose to utilize the Prop 28 funding to significantly invest in new and additional arts education equipment, with the vision of building and enhancing their arts education programs. These investments were diverse and comprehensive, aiming to enrich the students' educational experiences and foster a deeper appreciation for the arts across all grade levels served in the district.

Among the expenditures were high-quality speakers and sound equipment designed for outdoor performances, particularly benefiting elementary schools by facilitating engaging and dynamic performances. Schools also invested in stage curtains and advanced lighting equipment to support plays and performances, creating a professional atmosphere that enhances both student participation and audience enjoyment.

In addition to equipment, schools recognized the importance of skilled personnel in the success of these programs. As a result, sites hired additional staff, including dedicated art teachers to expand the range of visual arts instruction and an accompanist to support music programs. These hires were aimed at providing students with specialized instruction and support, ensuring a well-rounded and expanded arts education. The staffing waiver is still pending for 2023-24, however, we anticipate school sites adding more staffing in the 2024-25 school year, thus meeting Prop 28's staffing requirements.

By strategically allocating their funds in this manner, school sites not only aimed to build new programs but also to create sustainable, enriching environments that would benefit students for years to come. The commitment to improving arts education through the Prop 28 programs highlights Clovis Unified's dedication to fostering creativity, talent, and a love for the arts among its students.

Positions Added during the 2023-24 school year using Prop 28 funds:

- Number of full-time equivalent teachers (certificated) in 2023-24: 1.81
- Number of full-time equivalent personnel (classified) in 2023-24: 0
- Number of full-time equivalent teaching aides in 2023-24: 1.0

Number of students served in 2023-24: 30,178

Number of school sites providing arts education in 2023-24:

- Forty-five (45) Comprehensive Sites
- Community Day Elementary and Secondary
- Gateway Continuation School
- Enterprise Alternative Education