



National Arts in Education Week Resolution

The Board of Education
Pittsburg Unified School District
Resolution 18-58

Theme: Promoting Self-Expression and Creativity through the Arts

Whereas, Arts education, comprising a rich array of disciplines including dance, music, theatre, media arts, literature, design, and visual arts, is a core academic subject and an essential element of a complete and balanced education for all students;

Whereas, Arts education enables students to develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills, imagination and creativity, discipline, alternative ways to communicate and express ideas, and cross-cultural understanding, which supports academic success across the curriculum as well as personal growth outside the classroom;

Whereas, To succeed in today's economy, students must masterfully use words, images, sounds, and movement to communicate;

Whereas, Where schools and communities are delivering high-quality learning opportunities in, through, and about the arts for children, extraordinary results occur;

Whereas, Attracting and retaining the best teachers is vital and can be achieved by ensuring that schools embrace the arts, becoming havens for creativity and innovation;

Whereas, Arts education has the power to make students want to learn not just within the arts, but other areas of study;

Whereas, Art is integral to the lives of many United States citizens and can improve the vitality of communities and the Nation; and Whereas the week beginning on the second Sunday of September would be an appropriate week to designate as Arts in Education Week; now therefore,

Resolved, that the Pittsburg Unified School District Board of Education publicly affirms its dedication and commitment to the Arts in Education.

Be It Further Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby proclaims September 9 through September 13, 2019 as National Arts in Education Week, and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Board of Education directs the Superintendent to post a copy of this resolution at each School Site and the District Office; and

Passed and Adopted, on February 6, 2019 at a regular meeting of the Board of Education by the following vote:

AYES: 3
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 2

Duane Smith, Board President