Artspiration Newsletter

September 2022



Words from the Arts Coordinator: Welcome Back!

Welcome back to a new year! My team and I are looking forward to being a support to you in the new school year. The team has shifted a little with Kati Silva on board to help to deliver and implement arts-integrated training, and Linda Covello to help transform our Ridder Park campus and South County Annex with



new displays of the Young Artist Showcase collection. A huge thank you to Aimee Espiritu for her energy and passion for culturally responsive arts education. She will continue to be an ally in this work!

Here are a few highlights:

Arts Education Community of Practice For the first time, the four counties that constitute CCSESA Region 5 will host the Arts Education Community of Practice where educators - teachers, teaching artists, arts, and K-12 administrators - can come together to share best practices around topics related to arts education in our region. The first one is this Thursday!

CCSESA Professional Learning Speaking of CCSESA, I have been working with arts leads across the state to support learning around the California Arts Standards, the Arts Framework, and Universal Design for Learning, help with strategic planning, curriculum design, and arts equity work is also offered to districts.

ArtsEdConnect Educator Grant Please also look at our new ArtsEdConnect grant webpage to be posted on the Artspiration website. See below for more details.

Studio Pathways is offering **free** training to teacher teams in SCC. Take a look at the details below.

As always, we are grateful to our art partner organizations and are here to support arts educators and administrators in K-12 schools in Santa Clara County. Please contact me if I can be of assistance in any arts education-related matters.

Have a wonderful year of artmaking and joy!

Artspiration News

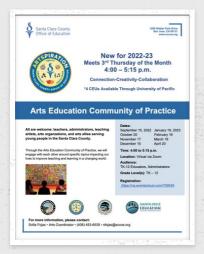
The Santa Clara County School Board Supports Arts and Music in Schools

San Jose, CA - At its September 7 meeting, the Santa Clara County Board of Education announced its support of Proposition 28 - Arts and Music in Schools Funding Guarantee and Accountability Act, a proposition that would significantly boost funding for arts and music in California public schools.

Proposition 28 has met the requirements to be placed on the November ballot. If approved by voters, the proposition would provide an estimated \$1 billion annually for arts and music education in pre-kindergarten through 12 public schools. The funding would be allocated through the annual state General Fund, and funding would be provided to local educational agencies (schools).

"The arts are an essential part of public education," said County Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Mary Ann Dewan. "Support for art and music education is support for creativity, problemsolving, and expression – experiences every student should have in equitable learning environments."

Please read the full new release here: https://www.sccoe.org/news/NR/Pages/proposition-28-support.aspx



Arts Education Community of Practice

The arts leads from Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Monterey, and San Benito are collaborating on a Region 5 Arts Education CoP open to teachers, administrators, teaching artists, arts organizations, and arts allies serving young people across our 4 counties.

Through the Arts Education Community of Practice, we will engage with each other around specific topics impacting our lives to improve teaching and learning in a changing world.

Arts Education Community of Practice

Register by clicking on the button.

The ArtsEdConnect Educator Grant Applications are open!

The ArtsEdConnect program awards grants to teachers and classrooms in Santa Clara County to support and encourage arts education in our schools.



The ArtsEdConnect partnership of the Santa Clara County Office of Education and SVCreates is pleased to announce Arts Education grants through the generosity of the County of Santa Clara and the Warmenhoven Family Foundation.

- Arts Materials and Supplies \$500 Grant
 Grant can be used for art materials and supplies
- Art Experiences (\$1,000+) Grant
 Grant funds (amount specific to project/experience) for an art project, performances, workshops, field trips, or art experiences.

Important Dates

- The grant applications will be accepted from Friday, September 9, 2022, through Sunday, October 9, 2022.
- Grants must be expended by Friday, May 12, 2023, with final reports due no later than Wednesday, May 31, 2023.
- The ArtsEdConnect Grant Committee will review submitted applications and send out grant award emails on November 2, 2022.

**A teacher or team of teachers from a school site may apply for a grant in one category with prior approval from their principals.

Arts Materials and Supplies Grant

Click here to apply.

Arts Experiences Grant

Click here to apply.

Studio Pathways ~ Free training for SCC teacher teams

Studio Pathways has 25 seats for professional learning related to arts integration, racial equity, and social justice. They continue to be a strong partner in this work of equity and arts education.

The last courses of the year start on **September 20** and **September 22**. Are you looking for exceptional professional learning that will evolve your school culture towards equity, that will expand the potentiality of deeper learning, and advance a laboratory love-based ethic of transformative practice? Click on the button below to register for *Do Your Lessons Love Your Students?* and the *Art of Facilitation*.

I have included a recent blog post from them that gives context to their work.

Studio Pathways Blog Post 09.02

Click to read the blog post.

Register for Studio Pathways' Professional Learning

Register here.

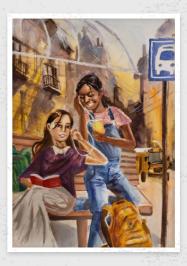


Marion Cilker Conference for Arts in Education

The Marion Cilker for Arts in Education Conference is on pause this year and will return with a refreshed vision in 2023-2024.

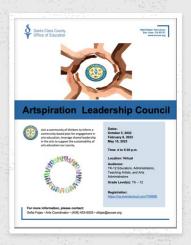
2023 Young Artist Showcase Opens Soon!

The Young Artist Showcase will open soon for submissions! Stay tuned!



Artspiration Leadership Council

The Artspiration Leadership Council is a committed group of arts leaders, teachers, teaching artists, and administrators who come together to inform Artspiration's initiatives. Please contact Sofia at sfojas@sccoe.org if you are interested in joining.





Arts Technical Assistance/Professional Learning

As the Arts Coordinator, I support schools and districts by offering technical assistance and conducting professional learning sessions on the California Arts Standards, the Arts Framework, and Universal Design for Learning, arts integration, arts equity, funding, arts education infrastructure, ELO-P, and arts after-school, and other arts-related topics. Feel free to contact me should you require any training related to those topics as well as training specifically for arts teachers in your district.

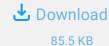
College Day 2022: Level Up ~ Explore the Possibilities

Calling all art teachers! SCCOE is hosting a sticker design content! The contest is open to all K-12 students in Santa Clara County with a limit of one entry per student. All images must be a high-resolution image in Adobe Illustrator or Photoshop, Canva, or Poster My Wall AND a .jpeg of 300dpi or higher. Please see the rubric and flyer for more details.



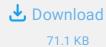


2022 College Day - Sticker Design Competition Guideline (1).pdf





College Day Sticker Contest Rubric.docx.pdf



Artspiration Partner Corner

SRI Releases Creativity Challenge: The State of Arts Education in California

The Stanford Research Institute has released its update to the Unfinished Canvas series of reports on arts education in California schools from 2007. This time, there is an additional report on arts education and court and community schools. You may see the summary report, the full report, and the report on court and community schools on SRI's webpage by clicking on the button below.

SRI's Creativity Challenge Website

Click on the button to go to the SRI webpage.

The California Arts Project

The California Arts Project (TCAP) is one of the nine <u>California Subject Matter Projects</u>.

The network of TCAP regional sites and statewide leadership and development center is united in the mission of promoting standards-based, equitable, and inclusive arts education

for each and every California student. TCAP supports educators through research-based, context-specific leadership development, planning, and professional learning programs. TCAP collaborates with school and district educators to create and tailor professional learning programs and support for local priorities, needs, initiatives, and interests of students and communities.

As the California State Subject Matter Project for the visual, media, performing, and career arts, TCAP's network of Teacher Leaders advocate for and strives to ensure access for all California students to a sequential, comprehensive, and exceptional standards-based arts and career arts education. (https://tcap.net/, 2022)



Click on the button for more details.



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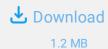


Directing Change

Directing Change is an evaluated program that engages youth about mental health, suicide prevention, and other critical health and social justice topics through art and film. It has launched its mini-grant program for educators, administrators, or other community organizations that work with youth ages 12-25. See the flyer below for more information. Applications close on Friday, September 16.



Directing Change 2023 Flyer.pdf



Stanford Live: Student Matinees and Teacher Workshops

Stanford Live's student matinees and teacher workshop series are back for the 2022–23 school year. Building on our season theme of Place and Healing, we'll have opportunities to experience artists and art forms from around the world, from a concert of global percussion to a multimedia work exploring the cultures of the Mekong Delta.

We'll also support your professional learning with a new series of teacher workshops, inperson and online. Some of the Bay Area's leading teaching artists will share methods for integrating multiple art forms into your teaching. And a special series on connections between the arts, sustainability, and wellness, kicking off on <u>October 9</u>, will bring healing and joy to both you and your students.

Matinee tickets are just \$8, with scholarships and bus subsidies available.



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Professional Learning: Strategies for Creative Leadership

This professional learning community supports school and district leaders whose aim is to create equity-centered transformational change in public education through the best practices of school-wide creative arts-centered/integrated learning for teaching, learning, and leadership. Putting creative practices at the center of leadership is an equity strategy that foregrounds personal interpretation, imagination, and invention. These strategies create more mindful approaches to problem-solving and systems design by lifting up individual ideas and voices as a collective community.

With a focus on creative thinking as an aspect of leadership for equity, arts-centered integrated learning is grounded in three core intersectional frameworks: Culturally Responsive Pedagogy; Arts Learning and Arts Integration practices; and Educational Research and Planning. These provide a common language for conversation, problem-solving, observation, anti-racist practices, and the growth of school communities that support positive student outcomes.

As part of 21st Century California School Leadership Academy (21CSLA) Regional Academy, led by the Leadership Programs at UC Berkeley's Graduate School of Education, we provide professional development and learning opportunities for educators, from teacher leaders all the way through, including, system leaders, who are committed to equity and building a culture of deep reflection at their institutions.

Together we will explore creative-centered approaches to teaching and learning to better understand strategies and practices that can support the kinds of courageous leadership our teachers and students need and deserve to thrive in the future.

This group will meet virtually (zoom) on the following Mondays from 5:00-7:00 pm:

Monday, October 17, 2022 Monday, December 5, 2022 Monday, January 23, 2023 Monday, February 13, 2023 Monday, March 13, 2023 Monday, April 24, 2023 Monday, June 12, 2023

With an end-of-year in-person retreat/summit in June hosted by UCB 21CSLA (dates TBD)

Website

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About us

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Artspiration is the countywide initiative to support arts education for all students in Santa Clara County Schools. **Vision:** Partnering with public schools, arts organizations, and the greater community to foster equitable and transformative education through the Arts.

Mission: Artspiration is committed to shared leadership in advocating, empowering, and supporting sustainable arts education to develop the creative capacity of each student and educator in Santa Clara County public schools.



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