



Fine Arts

Academic Matters - March 2026

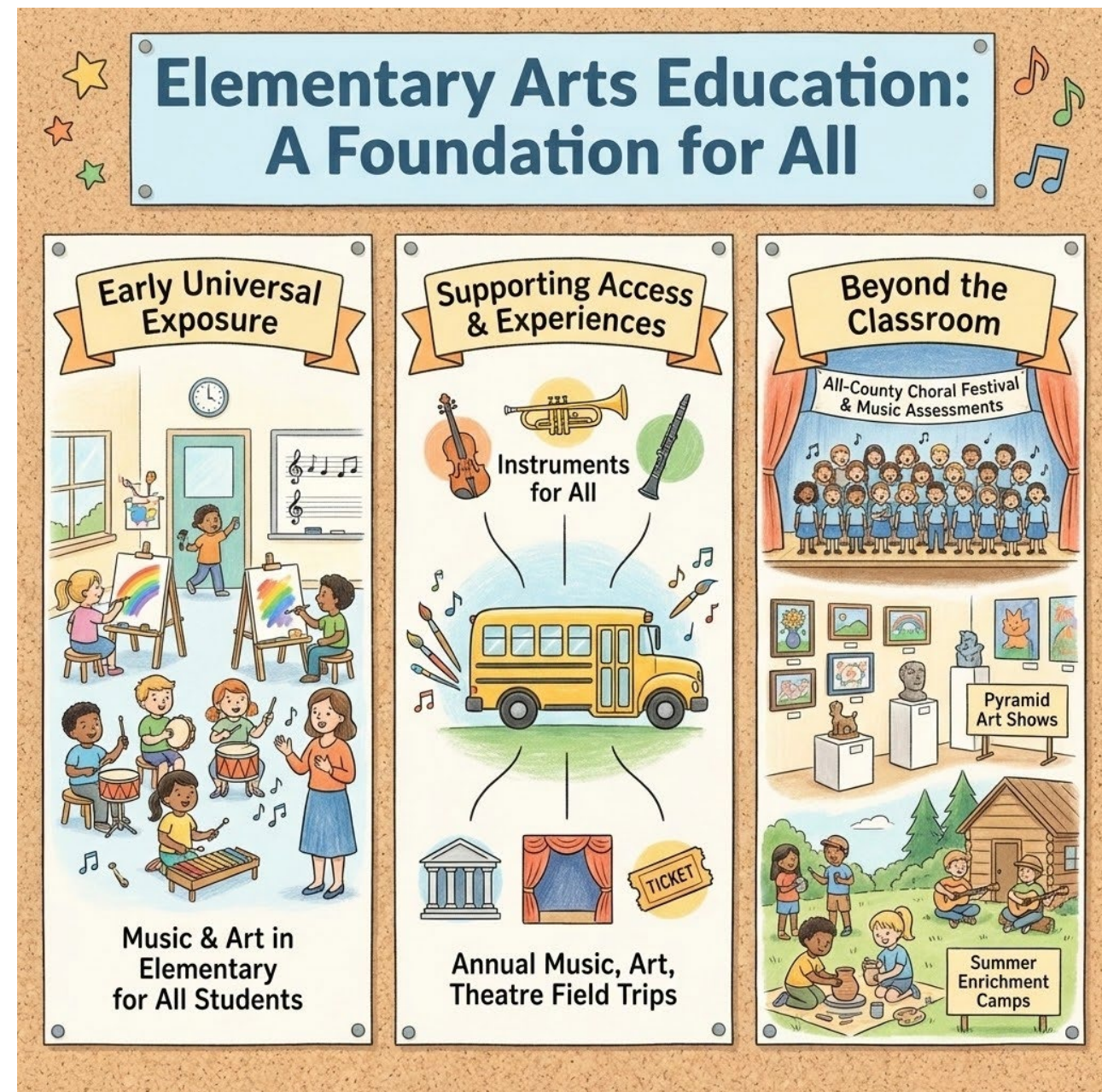
The Arts in FCPS are Fundamental to Cultivating Essential Student Skills

FCPS is committed to early universal exposure to the arts to ensure all students have opportunity and access to arts instruction where they develop durable skills in environments that promote belonging and self-expression.



Elementary Fine Arts

- Early, universal access to music and art in FCPS elementary schools
- Closing opportunity gaps through initiatives like Instruments for All
- Students experience rich learning opportunities including annual music, art, and theater field trips
- Opportunities to showcase talents through events like the All-County Choral Festival and pyramid art shows
- Opportunities for summer enrichment camps



Secondary Fine Arts

Advanced Engagement & Specialization

- Targeted Study or Exploration of Opportunities
- Technical and Conceptual Depth
- Portfolio Development

Postsecondary Preparation

- Career Preparation
- Exposure to Industry standard tools, technology, and software
- Recognized Achievement

Cultivating Essential "Durable" Skills

- Goal-Directed, Resilient, Creative, and Critical Thinkers



Opportunities for Advanced Coursework in Fine Arts

Enrollment:

- **33.8%** of high school students enrolled in Fine Arts course participate in weighted advanced courses (over 7700 students)
- Enrollment in weighted advanced fine arts courses from SY 24-25 to SY 25-26 has **increased 4%**

Advanced Course Offerings:

- **Advanced Level Courses (Honors):** Art, Dance, Music, and Theatre
- **Advanced Placement (AP):** Art and Music
- **International Baccalaureate (IB):** Art, Dance, Music, and Theatre
- **Dual Enrollment (DE):** Art and Theatre



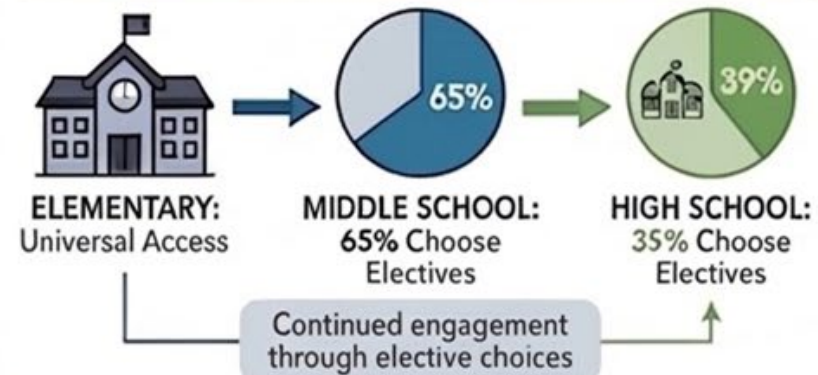


Fine Arts in FCPS

FINE ARTS DISCIPLINES & FOUNDATION



STUDENT PARTICIPATION PATHWAY

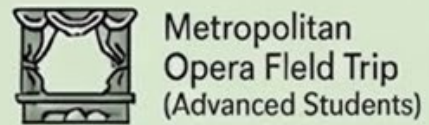
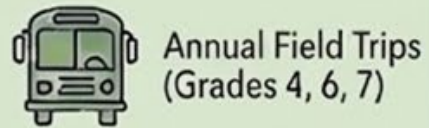


ACCESS & EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Supporting Access



Enriching Experiences



ENRICHMENT & ADVANCED COURSE OPPORTUNITIES

Events & Programs

- All-County Choral Festival
- District/State Music Assessments
- ARTIFAX Exhibition
- Pyramid Art Shows
- Theatre Productions & VHSL
- Cappies Program
- Summer Enrichment Camps

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