
THIRD READING

Bill No: SCR 147
Author: Allen (D), et al.
Introduced: 3/18/26
Vote: 21

SUBJECT: Arts Education Month

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution proclaims March 2026 as Arts Education Month and urges all residents to become interested in and give full support to quality arts education programs for children and youth.

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The arts are a necessary and required component of every California pupil's education to develop well-rounded, lifelong learners who contribute to the prosperity and quality of life for local and global communities.
- 2) Many national and state professional arts education associations hold celebrations in March, giving California schools a unique opportunity to focus on the value of the arts for all pupils, foster cross-cultural understanding, provide recognition to the state's outstanding young artists, and enhance public support for this essential part of the curriculum.
- 3) Research demonstrates that arts learning in early childhood and elementary grades supports brain development, language acquisition, motor skills, and social-emotional growth, laying a critical foundation for academic success across all disciplines.
- 4) Arts education strengthens California's creative economy by cultivating future artists, designers, media professionals, educators, and innovators while supporting local cultural institutions, small businesses, and community vitality.

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Related/Prior Legislation

SCR 32 (Allen, Resolution Chapter 43, Statutes of 2025)

SCR 123 (Allen, Resolution Chapter 50, Statutes of 2024)

SCR 36 (Portantino, Resolution Chapter 54, Statutes of 2023)

FISCAL EFFECT: Appropriation: No Fiscal Com.: No Local: No

SUPPORT: (Verified 3/23/26)

None received

OPPOSITION: (Verified 3/23/26)

None received

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