
THIRD READING

Bill No: SCR 32
Author: Allen (D)
Introduced: 2/27/25
Vote: 21

SUBJECT: Arts Education Month

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution proclaims March 2025 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 recognized part of a quality education, and the University of California and the California State University have instituted a policy that includes arts education as a college preparatory subject for all high school pupils wishing to enter the state's institutions of higher education.
- 2) Arts education is crucial to achieving a state educational policy devoted to the teaching of essential academic skills and lifelong learning capacities to truly prepare all children for success in school and life, regardless of gender, age, race, ethnicity, religion, gender identity, sexual orientation, immigration status, language, economic status, physical ability, or learning ability.
- 3) California voters overwhelmingly voted in favor of Proposition 28, The Arts and Music in Schools—Funding Guarantee and Accountability Act, mandating dedicated funding and equitable access to arts education for all California public school pupils.
- 4) The State Board of Education adopted the California Arts Standards for Public Schools, Prekindergarten through Grade 12 in 2019 and the California Arts Education Framework for Public Schools, Transitional Kindergarten through Grade Twelve in 2020, which provide a foundation for the development of artistic competencies and the cultivation of a lifelong appreciation and understanding of the arts. The California Arts Standards reflect the fundamental

belief that every child should have equitable access to high-quality, standards-based arts education to thrive and participate in modern society.

This resolution proclaims the month of March 2025 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.

Related/Prior legislation

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

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

SCR 80 (Cortese, Resolution Chapter 31, Statutes of 2022).

ACR 49 (Choi, Resolution Chapter 27, Statutes of 2021).

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

SUPPORT: (Verified 3/6/25)

None received

OPPOSITION: (Verified 3/6/25)

None received

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