

ONTARIO-MONTCLAIR SCHOOL DISTRICT

Ontario, California

June 26, 2025

Ontario-Montclair School District Proposition 28: Arts and Music in Schools Funding Annual Report for the 2024 – 2025 School Year

Program Narrative:

Students in Transitional Kindergarten (TK) through 12th grade have opportunities to participate in programs funded by the Proposition 28 funding source, also known as Arts and Music in Schools (AMS) funding. Pursuant to EC Section 8820(g)(2), LEAs are required to use AMS funds to increase funding for arts education programs, as defined by EC Section 8821(a), and not to supplant existing funding for those programs. The legislation allocates one percent (1%) of the kindergarten through grade twelve (K–12) portion of the Proposition 98 funding guarantee provided in the prior fiscal year, excluding funding appropriated for the AMS education program. Local educational agencies (LEAs) with 500 or more students are required to ensure that at least 80 percent of the AMS funds expended are used to employ certificated or classified employees to provide arts education program instruction. The remaining funds must be used for training, supplies and materials, and arts educational partnership programs, with no more than 1 percent of funds received to be used for an LEA's administrative expenses.

Ontario-Montclair School District (OMSD) continues to elicit input from parents and the community through ongoing meetings, feedback, and surveys to identify Proposition 28 Arts and Music areas of interest. Thirty-three OMSD sites have staffed Proposition 28 Certificated teachers and/or Classified Trainers to provide programs during the 2024-2025 school year. The Learning & Teaching (L&T) Division worked collaboratively with the Human Resources and Business Services Divisions in order to support schools in hiring qualified Certificated teachers and/or Classified Trainers to provide Proposition 28 programs and resources.

All thirty-three OMSD sites continued to implement Proposition 28 programs during the 2024 – 2025 school year. Students in Transitional Kindergarten (TK) through 8th grade had opportunities to participate in programs provided by the Proposition 28 funding. In addition, a Certified teacher served preschool-age students across the district in arts and music education.

Below is a summary of programming offered through Proposition 28: Arts and Music in Schools Funding for the 2024 – 2025 School Year:

During the 2024 – 2025 school year, Proposition 28 funding was used strategically to expand access to high-quality Arts and Music education, providing students with a wide array of enriching opportunities. A diverse range of programs was implemented, including Visual Arts, Performing Arts, Music, Robotics, Coding, Broadcast Journalism, and Dance.

Educators integrated the California Arts Standards into the Visual Arts curriculum, designing engaging, project-based lessons that fostered creativity and critical thinking. Performing Arts students showcased their talents through multiple performances throughout the year, providing authentic learning experiences and building confidence. Proposition 28 funding also supported the growth of music programs, enabling students to explore new musical instruments and deepen their understanding of musical expression. Additionally, the funding was used resourcefully to introduce Robotics, Coding, Broadcast Journalism, and Dance as elective options at the middle school level—broadening access to STEAM-related disciplines and

enhancing student voice and choice. This use of Proposition 28 resources strengthened arts education and helped cultivate 21st-century skills such as collaboration, communication, creativity, and innovation across all student groups.

Additional Information:

- The 2024 – 2025 Funding allocation for OMSD: \$3,216,668
- Number of full-time equivalent teachers (certificated) hired: 17
- Number of full-time equivalent personnel (classified) hired: 10
- Number of full-time equivalent teaching aides hired: 0
- Number of students served: 15,374
- Number of school sites providing arts education through the AMS Proposition 28 funding: 33
- 2024 – 2025 Projected Expenditures for Proposition 28: \$3,152,436

Board Approved: June 26, 2025