

The Arts Education For All Act



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A bill to support and expand arts education, in-school and out-of-school

What is the Arts Education for All Act?

The Arts Education For All Act, is a bill soon to be introduced by U.S. Rep. Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR) and others to support and encourage the offering of arts education and programming experiences to Americans including our youngest learners, K-12 students, and youth impacted by the juvenile justice system.

What would the bill do?



Strengthens the ability to use Child Care Development Block grant funding for arts programming.



Expands Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) plan provisions to include descriptions of how states would support and encourage the offering of arts education staff, instruction and partnership to improve student achievement in all subjects.



Requires State ESSA report cards to include information on arts courses to be included and infuses arts education as an element of K-12 school improvement



Increases opportunities for local education agency support for professional development for arts teachers and integration of the arts



Strengthens the integration of the arts and arts education through the 21st Century Community Learning Centers (after-school) program by maximizing partnerships with community and other arts focused organizations that increase the amount of arts education and creative youth development available in afterschool and summer learning programs



Provides for States to document how they will coordinate services and activities for juvenile justice and delinquency prevention with State and local arts agencies and arts organizations by utilizing arts education to improve reentry efforts and to reduce recidivism.



Enhances research activities at the Institution for Education Science through a focus on arts and arts education research.

Directs the National Assessment Governing Board to reinstate national arts assessments.

Want to learn more and take action? Organizations can endorse the bill [here](#), and individuals can [click here](#) to ask your member of Congress to become a cosponsor of the Arts Education For All Act.