

The Power and Wonder of the Arts!

A true story:

A teacher in my building told me that as she talked to her young daughter one night the little girl was bubbling and excited about going to school the next day. "I can't wait to go to school tomorrow!" she said. When her mother asked her why tomorrow was so special she replied, "Tomorrow is the day I get to go to ART!"

The Arts:

- Teach learners to be more tolerant and open.
- Allow learners to express themselves creatively.
- Promote individuality, bolster self-confidence, and improve overall academic performance.
- Help troubled youth, providing an alternative to delinquent behavior and truancy while providing an improved attitude toward school.
- Help all students develop more appreciation and understanding of the world around them.
- Help students develop a sense of craftsmanship, quality task performance, and goal-setting skills needed to succeed in the classroom and beyond.
- Strengthens student problem solving and critical thinking skills, adding to overall academic achievement and school success.
- Help students develop a positive work ethic and pride in a job well done.

Art can...

- Change lives
- Bring peace to your soul
- Make you happy
- Raise your IQ
- Make connections
- Express emotions
- Bring people together
- Be an escape
- Take you to another world
- Release your passions
- Be shared with others
- Record history
- Tell a story
- Release stress
- Expand your horizons
- Bring dreams to life