

### **Arts and Culture Funding: OCPS Guidelines**

***Description:***

Involvement in the arts is associated with gains in math, reading, cognitive ability, critical thinking, and verbal skill. Arts learning can also improve motivation, concentration, confidence, and teamwork. Through Arts and Culture Access funding: Orange County Public Schools, students' hone those skills by attending field trips and participating in-school programs that connect to their class curriculum

***Deadline:*** New programs are accepted year-round, but most funding is decided in late summer, as applications open on June 1<sup>st</sup>. For priority consideration, apply by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

***Eligibility:***

- Organizations:
  - Nonprofit 501(c)3 in good standing with the Florida Division of Corporations and the IRS
  - In good standing with any United Arts grant reporting
  - Primary arts/cultural mission
  - Based in Orange County
  - Program(s) catered to k-12 students
  - Completed one or more years of operation
  - Eligible to work with students
  - Organization and program are listed on [www.uaartsed.com](http://www.uaartsed.com)

- Individual teaching artists
  - Employed through an artistic based organization
  - Bachelor's degree in the Art
  - Teaching Artist Certification
  - Proven track record of artistic practice (An artist portfolio)
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  - Eligible to work with students
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#### **Eligibility Restrictions**

- Organization Based outside of Orange County
- Programming for non-approved OCPS schools
- Programming outside of Orange County

#### **Payment Schedule**

- Invoices are due by the 15<sup>th</sup> of every month. For invoices to be processed, 75 percent of program evaluation forms must be submitted.
- Invoices must include only OCPS approved schools.
- Invoice must include correct approved pricing that is reflected on funding approval notice.