## 2018 ARTS EDUCATION DATA PROIECT ARIZONA

Prepared by Quadrant Research, the Arts Education Data Project Arizona Executive Summary Report features analysis of all available school enrollment data self-reported through the Arizona Department of Education's SLDS system by schools across the state, both traditional public schools and charter, grades pre-K through 12 for the 2013-14, 2014-15, and 2015-16 school years.

Below are some key insights provided by the report. Arizonans can explore the data through an easy-to-use interactive online dashboard at https://azarts.gov/azartsed-explorer/.

## About the Data

2,248 schools
1.1 million students

## Comparison Factors

School Configuration
Elementary
Middle
High School

## School Type

Traditional public Charter

## Locale

Urban
Suburban
Rural
Percentage of students who qualify for free and reduced-price lunch

## Explore the data!

The full data set on arts education access and participation in Arizona is available to explore through an easy-touse interactive online dashboard at:
https://azarts.gov/ azartsed-explorer/

In 2016, $83 \%$ of the 1,107,292 students had access to one or more arts disciplines in schools. This represents $68 \%$ of schools offering at least one art form.

## \% of Students


\% of Schools


■ Access to Arts ■ No Access ■ Access to Arts ■ No Access

* While $82 \%$ of all students have access to some arts instruction, only $65 \%$ of students in grades K-8 have had access to both Music and Art as required by state education code during the period covered by the report.
* The number of students without access to arts instruction increased 20\% between 2015 and 2016.
* The proportion of students without access to any arts courses was greatest in schools where more than $75 \%$ of students are eligible to receive free and reduced price.



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* Student access to the two required arts disciplines (Art and Music) for elementary and middle schools (K-8) is lowest in schools where more than $75 \%$ of students receive Free/Reduced Price Lunch (62\%).
* While traditional public schools represent 84\% of the population they represent $80 \%$ of the "no arts" student population; whereas charter schools represent $16 \%$ of the overall student population but hold $20 \%$ of the "no arts" students.
\% of Student Population


Public © Charter
\% of "No Arts" Students


Public Charter

* $68 \%$ of all students (nearly 750,000 ) participated in arts education courses.
* Music and Art are the most widely available of the arts disciplines and have the highest participation rates (47\% and 50\%, respectively) among the five artistic disciplines.
* Student participation varies only slightly between traditional public schools and charter schools. In traditional schools, 68\% of students are enrolled in the arts as compared to $65 \%$ for Charter schools

The following chart highlights where participation in arts education is highest and lowest based on specific characteristics:

| Characteristic | Highest Participation <br> Rates | Lowest Participation <br> Rates |
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| Configuration | Elementary Schools (82\%) | High Schools (43\%) |
| Type | Traditional (68\%) | Charter (65\%) |
| Locale | Suburbs, mid-size (88\%) | Rural, distant (44\%) |
| Free \& Reduced |  |  |
| Lunch | Low: Less than 25\% of <br> students (71\%) | Mid-high: 51-75\% of <br> students (61\%) |


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