


# BE IN THE KNOW

**Arts Education Prepares Students for Success in School.**


**Arts education:**  
Boosts **literacy** and **English Language Arts skills**



 Engages students in school and motivates them to learn


**Advances math achievement**      Develops **critical thinking**

Improves school culture




**Why the Arts Matter to Iowa's Economy:**

In 2022, the Arts & Culture sector in Iowa:  
Generated **\$705.2 million** in total economic activity  
Supported **12,441 jobs**  
Provided **\$151.5 million** in tax revenues




A Fine arts education fosters the **creativity, critical thinking, collaboration** and **communication skills** that 21<sup>st</sup> century employers are looking for when hiring employees



**Arts Education Prepares Students For Success in Work.**


**Arts education:**  
Builds **collaboration** and **communication skills**



Strengthens problem solving ability

  
**Develops creativity**  
one of the top five skills employers value

**Increases capacity for leadership**




**Arts Education Prepares Students for Success in Life.**

**Arts education:**  
Builds **community** and **supports civic engagement**

**Strengthens perseverance**


 **Facilitates cross-cultural learning**


**Fosters a creative community**



Students who take **four years** of the arts in high school average almost **100 points higher on the SAT scores** than students who take one-half year or less

**+100 POINTS**



 Low-income students who are highly engaged in the arts are **2x** as likely to graduate from college as their peers with no arts education

## Just the Facts

**93%** of **Americans** believe that the **arts are vital** to providing **well-rounded Education**

A student involved in the arts is **4x** more likely to be recognized for **academic achievement**

## Arts Education:

Encourages student learning through **collaboration** and **communication**



Assists students in **developing responsible decision making**

 Promotes **self-awareness, self-efficacy** and **self-management**

Develops **social awareness** and **relationship skills**

