

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION

No. 228

Board of Trustees

Douglas County School District

PROGRAM

FINE ARTS EDUCATION

The Administration recognizes the responsibility for the inclusion of fine arts into a quality education program. It also recognizes the need to evaluate and revise the fine arts program as needed.

In order to implement the Fine Arts Policy, the District shall continue to offer music to students. Elementary schools shall offer a general music course that may include vocal, instrumental, music history and appreciation, and dance for one semester, one hour per week for students in grades 1-6. Kindergarten students may be offered music one-half hour per week. A beginning sixth grade band program, which may include 5th grade students as well, may be offered outside of the school day, five days per week. District transportation will be offered. Secondary schools will continue to offer elective courses in chorus, vocal music, and band.

The District shall offer art to students. Elementary schools shall offer art for one semester, one hour per week for students in grades 1-6. Kindergarten students may be offered art one-half hour per week. Secondary schools will continue to offer elective and/or exploratory courses in visual arts.

The District shall offer drama to students. Elementary schools will research opportunities to integrate drama into the regular classroom curriculum as well as explore the feasibility of offering drama in an after-school club activity. Secondary schools may offer drama as an elective and/or an exploratory class or after-school club.

The District shall offer dance to students. Elementary schools may include dance as part of its music classes and/or music performances and its physical and regular classroom education curriculum. Secondary schools may offer dance in the physical education curriculum and as an elective and/or an exploratory class or after-school club.

[See Policy related to this Administrative Regulation](#)

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