

# *Ensuring the Arts for* **ANY GIVEN CHILD**



*A KC Education Program*

## **PORTLAND, OREGON**

Joined in 2010

### **FAST FACTS**

48,625 # Students  
Over 215 Teachers  
87 # Schools

### **VISION**

The Regional Arts & Culture Council works to achieve our vision by centering equity, access, and resources by championing arts education in our schools, promoting arts education in our community, and ensuring that all students receive a well-rounded education with the arts as a core curriculum from grades K through 12.

### **GOALS FOR ARTS**

- RACC collaborates and participates in arts education forums, workgroups, and discussions around the state.
- RACC promotes arts education in our community through public initiatives and joint projects. (Portland Parks and Recreation, Colleges/Universities)
- Expand arts education access and resources throughout Oregon, not limited to the tri-county region, with a focus on equity and access through artlook®.
- Advocate and promote legislative agendas that support and include the arts in STEM to create STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics).
- Engage with national leaders to establish arts education as core curriculum and endorse collaborative learning as well as arts integration as a vital component of a well-rounded education in our K-12 schools.
- Making Connections, Sharing Ideas, Asking Questions: RACC invites and encourages our arts educators to connect with other arts educators across districts and use RACC as a platform for engagement.
- The Arts Education Committee at RACC works to further the arts education agenda and increase equity and access in our schools. We also partner with and promote our arts organizations in our community and region.

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## OUTCOMES

- **2021-2022 School District data collection** has a facelift with a new and improved data collection template for six school districts in Multnomah County, Oregon
- **Professional Development** continues with a 4-Part Series of Workshops in partnership with Trauma Informed Oregon to offer our arts educators in K-12 the tools they need to navigate best practices in social and emotional teaching/learning, how to help their students, and the important role arts education has in the healing and recovery process
- **“Submit an Opportunity”** is a specific online platform created for Arts Educators. It has been added to the RACC website on the Arts Education page which has been completely updated and retooled to include resources, artlook® oregon, highlight schools, showcase success, and provide downloads for teaching and learning opportunities.
- **#newsforyourheART-** a September 2021 newsletter for Arts Educators in our K-12 schools was launched and distributed to over 350 arts educators and encouraged to share with MS/HS students in six School Districts three times a year.
- **Engagement, support and relationship building** continues with district administrators, arts educators, social service organizations, and arts organization partners, both locally, regionally, and nationally.

## LEADERSHIP

### City Leadership School District


Commissioner Carmen Rubio & Mayor Ted Wheeler  
Parkrose School District, Superintendent Michael Lopes-Serrao  
Portland Public Schools, Superintendent Guadalupe Guerrero

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