



About Arts Every Day

Arts Every Day is proud to be a driving force in building and sustaining a Baltimore City public school system that embraces creativity, art, and culture as a fundamental requirement for a quality education. We advocate for and support sequential arts education while working with school leaders to embed the arts across the curriculum. Through a decade-long partnership with the Baltimore City Public Schools District, Arts Every Day works to ensure that students have a seat at the opera, feet in the museum and a teaching artist in their classroom. Not only are Baltimore City School students the artists and patrons of tomorrow, they are the leaders and decision makers upon which our city's future will depend.

Our Mission

Arts Every Day strengthens learning by making arts education and cultural experiences an integral part of classroom instruction for all students in Baltimore City Public Schools.

Serving as a catalyst for creative learning, Arts Every Day builds and sustains long-term partnerships with schools, artists, and cultural institutions while working to connect and empower teachers as leaders within their school communities.

Our Vision

Through arts-based learning, we envision that all Baltimore City School communities will serve as centers for innovation, collaboration, and partnership.

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How Arts Every Day Is Changing Baltimore City Public Schools

Building Creative Schools: We help schools integrate the arts into Math, Language Arts, Science, and Social Studies instruction.

- We partner with 36 public schools in Baltimore over the long-term to inspire lasting change.
- We provide a framework to guide schools in building arts and collaboration into their everyday teaching and learning practices.
- Through our School Partnerships, we provide \$185,000 in annual funding for student art experiences, staff development, and program support.
- Each year we fund over 150 arts programs that reach an estimated 19,000 students, 85% of whom are eligible for Free and Reduced Lunches.

Empowering Teachers: We help teachers become arts leaders and agents of changes within their schools.

- We provide teachers with a professional and supportive learning community offering over 25 hours of teacher training each year.
- In partnership with The Maryland Disabilities Law Center, our Arts Abilities Initiative connects educators to high impact programs and training tailored to fit the special needs of their students.
- Over 90% of teachers engaged in our programs report an increased sense of commitment, creativity, empowerment, confidence, and leadership as a result of working with Arts Every Day.

Connecting City Schools to City Arts and Culture: We connect artists and cultural organizations with educators to increase arts-based learning opportunities for students.

- On artseveryday.org, teachers can search for and schedule over 500 programs, artists, cultural institutions, and organizations that fit their curriculum and classroom.
- Through our Cultural Connection Series, we provide free events for educators to visit cultural institutions, network with teaching artists, and learn how to engage their students in the arts.

Advocating for Arts Policy and Access: We advocate for District and State policies that support equitable access for Baltimore public school children to arts instruction in every school day.

- We advocate on the individual school level through the School Partnerships Program by partnering with teachers and principals to foster a creative learning environment.
- We take a leading role in the collaborative work of the Baltimore Arts Education Coalition, a group of artists, organizations, teachers, and community members dedicated to making arts-based learning a high priority in the Baltimore City School system.

- We support the work of statewide advocacy groups in their push for increased education funding and arts friendly policies.