

Ensuring the Arts for ANY GIVEN CHILD



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FRESNO COUNTY

Joined in 2012

FAST FACTS

68,214 Students
1,203 Teachers
94 Schools

VISION

We believe standards-based arts instruction for every child as part of the regular school day is essential to educating the whole child. We believe the arts provide meaningful and diverse experiences for children that allow them to fully engage in school and in their community. We believe the arts celebrate cultural relevance, build strong character, and teach lifelong lessons. Therefore, the vision of **Any Given Child Fresno County** is that every pre-K-8 student has equitable access to comprehensive, sequential, standards-based arts education.

GOALS FOR ARTS

- Goal 1 – Increase professional learning opportunities in the arts for all stakeholders, focusing on integrating the arts with State Standards.
- Goal 2 – Create a systematic process to provide access to professional arts experiences for all students.
- Goal 3 – Celebrate and share the work that is happening in our Any Given Child Fresno County Schools with the larger Fresno County audience to help promote arts education and advocate for the arts for all.

OUTCOMES

- Schools within the AGC Fresno County network continue to provide professional learning support in the arts and arts integration for their staff, even during at-home learning and hybrid learning environments.
- Fresno Unified has partnered with Focus 5, a national leader in arts education professional learning, to provide artist residencies to all 66 elementary schools in the district. These residencies are being conducted virtually and are providing students and teachers with high quality arts learning experiences as part of the regular school day.
- The Fresno County Superintendent of Schools, our backbone organization, has produced 30+ “Education Matters” stories about the AGC Fresno County work. These stories air on our

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local NBC affiliate, KSEE 24 Fresno, during the 6:00 PM news hour. These 3-5 minute pieces have been tremendous advocacy tools.

- The Spark! Initiative, a program imagined and implemented by the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools, has given nearly \$500,000 to schools within the AGC Fresno County network to help fund arts programs and professional opportunities.
- The work that has occurred within the AGC Fresno County network has influenced and expanded to districts throughout Fresno County beyond the six involved in our initiative. Other districts have joined in on arts education experiences like “Link Up” and the Fresno Ballet Company. Many have sought professional learning services in arts education and arts integration based upon models developed within our initiative. The reach of our initiative goes far beyond

LEADERSHIP

City Leadership **Jim Yovino, Fresno County Superintendent of Schools**
School District **Caruthers, Clay, Fresno, Fowler, Sanger, and Selma**
Districts
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