Proposition 28: Arts and Music in Schools Funding

Annual Report

Fiscal Year 2026-27

Name: Simi Valley Unified
CDS Code: 5672603-0000000
Allocation Year: 2025-26, 2024-25, 2023-24

1. Narrative description of the Prop 28 arts education program(s) funded. (2500 character limit).

Our district is using funds from California"s Proposition 28 (the Arts and Music in Schools Funding Guarantee) to give every student more chances to learn and create in the arts. Here"s how we"re doing it: Elementary Schools Exploratory Wheel: Every elementary student takes part in a rotating "arts wheel" that includes four stations: visual arts (like drawing and painting), music (singing and playing simple instruments), dance (movement and rhythm), and coding (basic computer programming). Visiting Teachers: A team of specialized teachers-one for each art or coding area-travels to all of our elementary campuses. They spend time at each school based on its enrollment size and the share of Proposition 28 funds it receives. This ensures larger schools get more class time while all schools get a fair chance. Time Allocation: We calculate minutes of instruction by dividing total available teacher hours according to school size and funding. For example, if School A has twice as many students as School B, it will get twice as much art wheel time. Secondary Schools (Middle and High) New Course Sections: We"ve added extra sections of art and music classes, such as digital art, choir, band, and theater. These classes give older students more choices and smaller class sizes. Professional Experts: We hire qualified artists and musicians on yearly contracts to work alongside regular teachers in existing classes. For instance, a strings coach can spend several periods each week helping students in orchestra or band during their regular class time. Materials and Equipment Across all grade levels, we"ve

invested in new supplies: easels, clay and sculpting tools, digital audio workstations, dance mats, and coding robots. This ensures that when students enter an art or music class, they have the tools they need to make real artwork, perform music, or write code. In all of these ways-rotating arts wheel, added course sections, expert coaching, and new equipment-our goal is to give every student rich, hands-on experiences in the arts and computer science, helping them grow creatively and technically.

2. Number of full-time equivalent teachers (certificated).	10.9
3. Number of full-time equivalent personnel (classified).	8.2
4. Number of full-time equivalent teaching aides.	0.0
5. Number of students served.	15,151
6. Number of school sites providing arts education.	27
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