

State of North Carolina

JOSH STEIN
GOVERNOR

ARTS IN OUR SCHOOLS MONTH

2025

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, March has been designated by the National Dance Education Organization as “Dance in Our Schools Month,” by the National Association for Music Education as “Music in our Schools Month,” by the National Theatre Association as “Theatre in Our Schools Month,”; and by the Council for Art Education as “Youth Art Month,” and

WHEREAS, Arts Education in North Carolina schools includes four separate and distinct disciplines: dance, music, theatre arts, and visual arts - each with its own body of knowledge and skills; and

WHEREAS, the arts have enriched our lives throughout human history: describing, defining, and deepening the human experience; and

WHEREAS, the arts are everywhere in our lives, adding depth and dimension to the environment we live in and shaping our experience daily; and

WHEREAS, all students participating in Arts Education courses benefit from the skills and processes developed through the arts and apply those skills in a variety of disciplines and settings no matter their career path; and

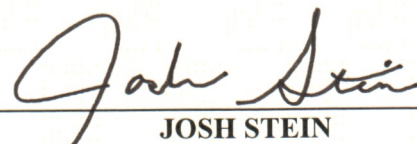
WHEREAS, Arts Education leads to heightened skills in listening, understanding human experiences, creative problem solving, adapting to and respecting others’ ways of thinking, communicating effectively, analyzing nonverbal communication, reading, self-expression, imagination, and creativity; and

WHEREAS, Arts Education ignites and engages learners, enhances social and emotional awareness, develops self-confidence, boosts self-reliance, and increase sympathy and compassion; and

WHEREAS, Arts Education is recognized by the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction as part of a well-rounded education;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 2025, as “**ARTS IN OUR SCHOOLS MONTH**” in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.





JOSH STEIN

Governor

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-sixth day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-fifth and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-ninth.