



**Yolo County Board of Education and
Yolo County Superintendent of Schools**

Resolution #23-24/29: Arts Education Month – March 2024

WHEREAS, Arts Education, including dance, music, theatre, and the visual arts, is an essential part of basic education for all students, kindergarten through grade twelve, providing for balanced learning and developing the full potential of their minds; and

WHEREAS, through well-planned instruction and activities in the arts, children develop initiative, creative ability, self-expression, self-reflection, thinking skills, discipline, a heightened appreciation of beauty and cross-cultural understanding; and

WHEREAS, the arts improve not only students’ cognitive skills, but also gives them new means to discover, explore and appreciate the beauty of the world around them; and

WHEREAS, many national and state professional education associations hold celebrations in the month of March focused on students’ participation in the arts; and

WHEREAS, these celebrations give California schools a unique opportunity to focus on the value of the arts for all students, foster cross-cultural understanding, give recognition to the state’s outstanding young artists, focus on careers in the arts available to California students, and enhance public support for this important part of our curriculum; and

WHEREAS, the *Arts Education Policy* adopted in July 1989 by the California State Board of Education states that each student should receive a high quality, comprehensive arts education program based on the adopted *Visual and Performing Arts Framework for California Public Schools, Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve*; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Yolo County Board of Education and Yolo County Superintendent of Schools proclaims the month of March 2024 as “Arts Education Month” and encourages all students to celebrate the arts with meaningful activities and programs that demonstrate learning and understanding in the visual and performing arts.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Yolo County Board of Education at a meeting held on February 13, 2024 by the following vote:

AYES: Esquivel, Moreno, Salud-Ambriz, Yip, Zendejas

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Shelton Yip, President
Yolo County Board of Education

Garth Lewis
Yolo County Superintendent of Schools