ARTS EDUCATION PLATFORM

PROBLEM:

Strong communities need strong schools

- Everyone in the community benefits when public schools succeed; and *schools can't succeed without strong arts programs.*

- Schools need to focus on turning out well-rounded individuals who are ready to take their place as citizens, workers, and responsible members of the community

- Sadly, too many school districts are cutting out the arts and risking our children's futures. This has to change.

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SOLUTION:

Strong schools have strong arts programs

- The real purpose of education is to help shape well-rounded individuals and to *educate the whole child and this requires integrating the arts into the curriculum*.

- **Schools need to help students demonstrate creativity and express themselves: the arts are the best way to make this happen.**

- Sure English, history, math, and science must be a high priority for schools, and by **integrating the arts you will see big improvements** in these areas, too.

ACTION:

Help grow arts education to grow strong communities, schools, and students

- **Arts education makes children whole**.

- Teachers must help draw out the individual in every child and they want and need more training to be effective in this area.

- **Ensure quality education for all kids by ensuring a strong arts integrated curriculum**.