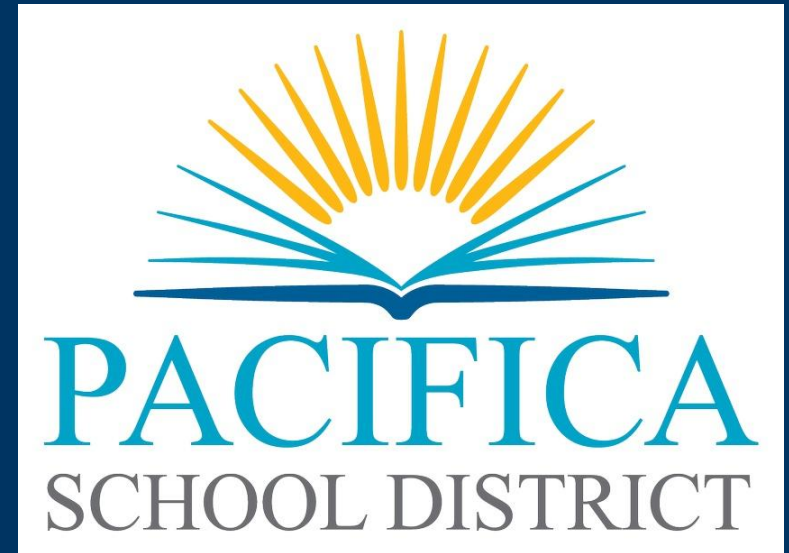


Arts in Education

Proposition 28



“There is a growing (and convincing) body of research that indicates a ‘window of opportunity’ from birth to age nine for developing a musical sensibility within children. During this time, the mental structures and mechanisms associated with processing and understanding music are in the prime stages of development, making it of utmost importance to expose children in this age range to music...Musical experience at an early age is extremely important in a child’s developmental process. Like riding a bike or learning a language, these skills can be learned later in life, but they will never be “natural” in the way that is so important for fluid musical performance.” - Dr. Robert A. Cutietta (Dean of the Thornton School of Music at USC)

Thomas Stafford, Administrator - Special Projects

Source: [pbs.org](https://www.pbs.org): What's the Right Age to Begin Music Lessons by Dr. Robert A Cutietta (May 12, 2012)

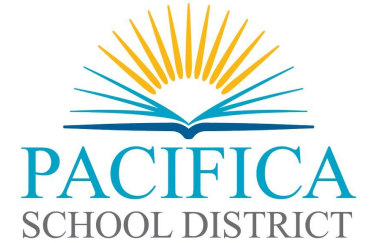
What is Proposition 28?



A quick guide to the language directing Districts and School Sites

- State law requires schools to provide instruction in visual and performing arts (VAPA) (including music) to all students in grades 1 through 6, with such courses offered to 7th and 8th graders as electives.
- Proposition 28 provides school sites with funding to be spent specifically for VAPA based on their current populations. Amount determined by state.
- Visual and Performing Arts encompasses, Visual Art, Music, Dance, Drama, and Media Arts

Proposition 28 Requirements



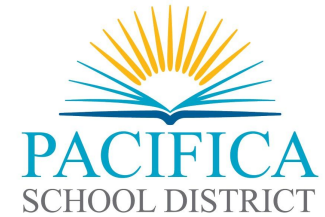
How can we spend the money?

- This proposition requires funding be used primarily to hire new staff.
 - 80% must be used to hire new staff.
 - The remaining funding could be used for training, supplies and materials, and for arts educational partnership programs.
- Principal of a school site to develop a plan for spending the funding they receive.
- The principal may also combine funds with other site programs to share staff.
- Local Governing Boards must certify the spending annually.

Sources: California Legislative Analyst's Office, CA School Services, and Pacifica School District (PEF Info only)

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Current Allocations 2023 - 2024 School Year



• Cabrillo Elementary School	\$68,038
• District Office	\$567
• Ingrid B. Lacy Middle School	\$60,524
• Non-Public, Non-Sectarian Schools	\$340
• Ocean Shore Elementary School	\$51,430
• Ortega Elementary School	\$49,769
• Pacifica Independent Home Study	\$7,671
• Sunset Ridge Elementary School	\$61,525
• Vallemar Elementary School	<u>\$60,290</u>
• Total	\$360,154

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Proposition 28 Spending Scenarios



Input and Shared Ideas

- Conversations with site Principals
 - Leadership Council introduction of funds and possible use to fund two music teachers to share District-wide.
 - One on one conversations with principals to continue to receive input regarding leveraging funding to support the entire, District-wide student body.
 - Because 80% of the funding must be used for staff, a single school cannot provide enough funding for a full-time employee.

Proposed leveraging of funds

Schools share their resources



- This funding will provide 2 new teachers for TK - 2 Music Education and Choral Music/Musical Theater/Drama in the middle school.