



# PERPICH

## What Perpich Can Do For You

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Excerpt from **Our Shared Axis** by Nadia Oian Vust (Literary Arts 2025)

So tell me again how you aren't a writer and I'll tell you the truth

Every single person who has held a breath on this earth

Is the poet

And the poem

And the truth

Is that all poets share a piece of the same sun

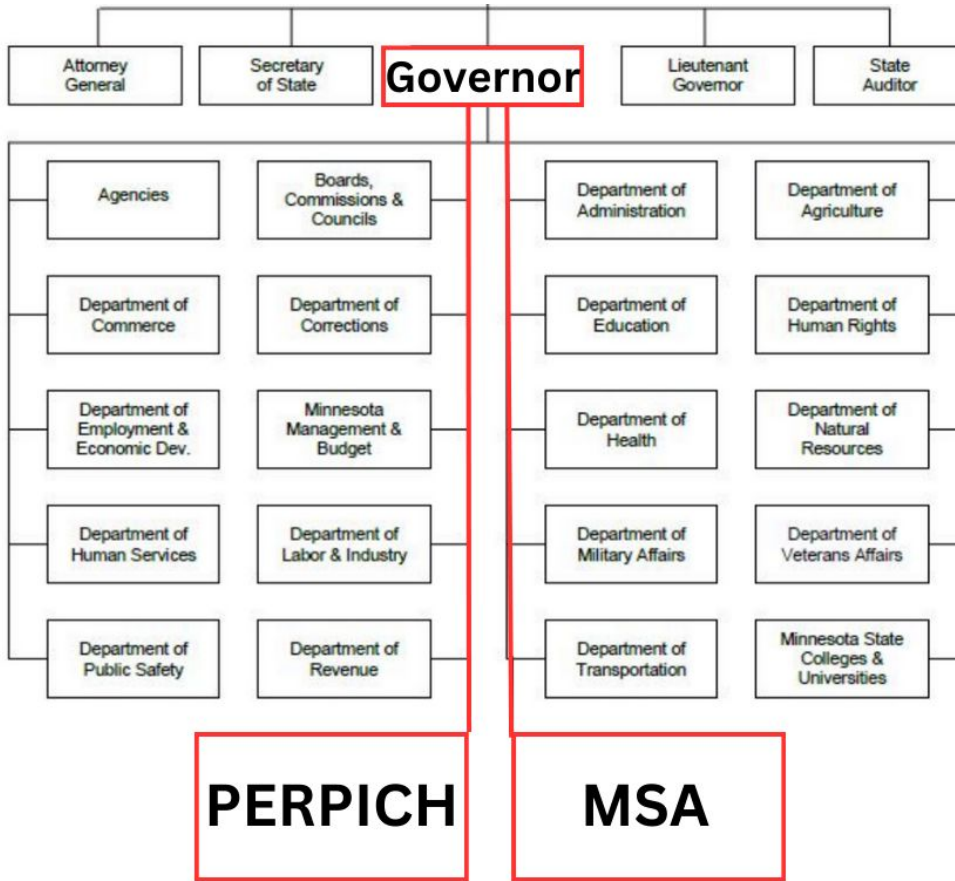
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# In the next 10 Minutes, you will learn what...

1. Perpich IS CURRENTLY Doing For You
2. Perpich COULD Do For You
3. Perpich PROVIDES for the State of MN



**Perpich is a state agency.**

# Perpich is unique.

## State Agency

- Governor
- MMB Policies  
(MN Management  
and Budget)

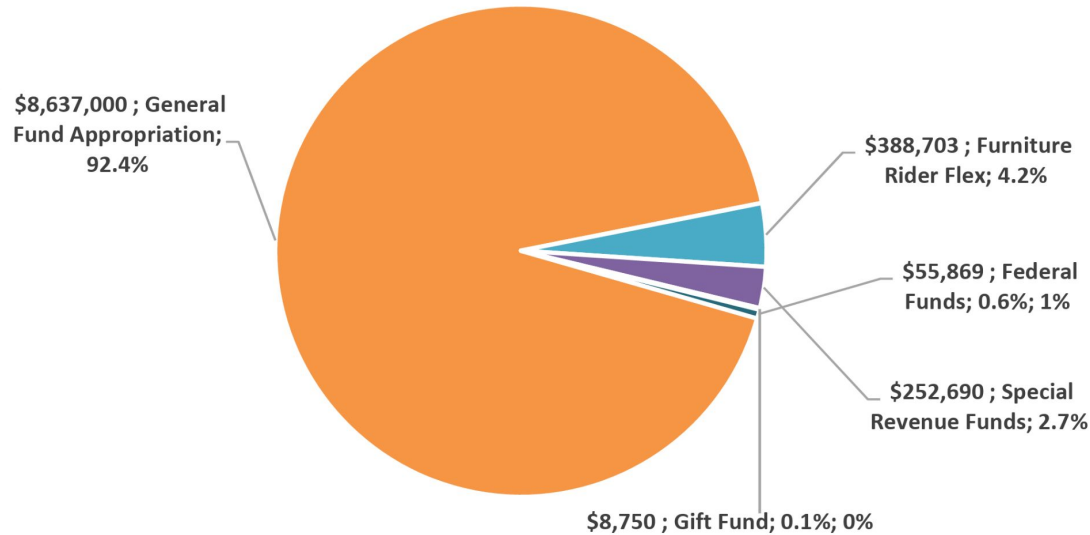
## Perpich Center for Arts Education

## Public School

- MDE
- MSBA Policies  
(Minnesota School  
Board Association)

# How is Perpich Center for Arts Education Funded?

FY2026 Projected Funding Sources  
Total Revenue Budget = \$9,343,012





## Arts High School

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## Library

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## Professional Development

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# What Perpich is Currently Doing for You

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**Perpich Center for Arts Education**  
**Professional Development and Resource Programs (PDR)**  
**Opportunities to Support Minnesota Educators – AT NO COST**

## SCHOOL DISTRICTS/CHARTER SCHOOLS, EDUCATORS/ADMINISTRATORS SERVED

Fiscal year	Total Events	School Districts/Charter Schools	Total Points of Contact	Distinct Points of Contact		
				Arts Educators	Non-Arts Educators	Administrators
FY25	313	275	2,755	1,467	400	107
FY24	373	256	2,498	1,105	329	137
FY23	352	211	1,578	739	140	83

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1	FY 24 & FY 25 Data	3-2024 Unique Points of Contact	2023-2024 Unique Points of Contact	In-District, Customized Development by Request
2	Statewide	498	1,571	
3	Anoka-Hennepin Schools	44	16	
4	Bloomington Public Schools	2	2	
5	Brooklyn Center Community Schools	3	2	
6	Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose Schools	23	15	15 Music (Oct 2023)
7	Burnsville-Eagan-Savage School District	20	7	
8	Centennial School District	1	1	
9	Columbia Heights Public Schools	8	3	
10	Duluth Public Schools	61	13	
11	Eastern Carver County Schools	2	2	

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# Personalized PD & Support (Columns D-E & J-K)

- Customized for your district
  - Dance (PE)
  - Theater
  - Music
  - Visual and Media Arts



**ELY TEACHERS  
WORK WITH  
DANCE EDUCATION  
SPECIALIST MARY  
HARDING**

# Multi-Session Cohorts (Columns F & L)



- Theater
- Elementary Art
- Media Arts
- Regional Arts Teacher Leader (RATL)
- Comprehensive Arts Planning Program (CAPP) 27-29

# Workshops open to Teachers Statewide (Columns G & L)



**EDUCATORS  
GATHER FOR ARTS  
INTEGRATION  
WORK DAY**



**PERPICH HOSTS  
NATIVE AUTHORS  
BOOK FAIR**



**SUMMER MUSIC  
PROFESSIONAL  
DEVELOPMENT  
WORKSHOPS 2025**



**BACKSTAGE  
CENTER STAGE  
2025: TECH/DESIGN  
WORKSHOP – TAKE  
A BOW!**

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# Beyond the Metro

Perpich PDR consistently provides free PD to educators in EVERY one of MN's 67 Senate Districts.

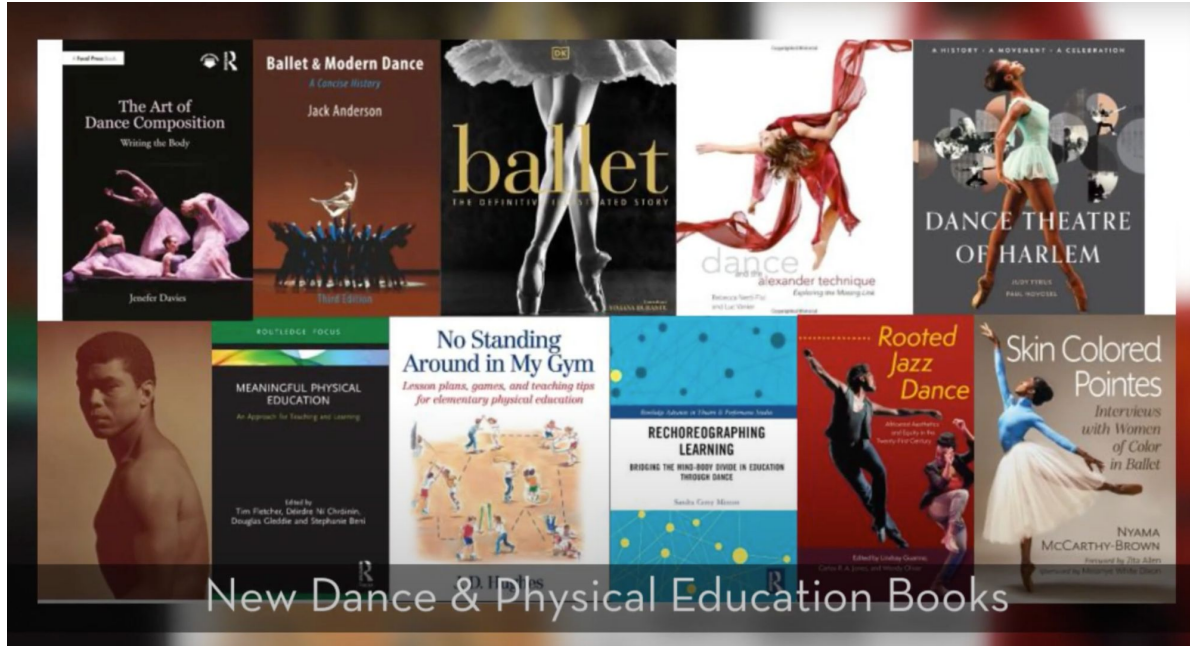
## FY25

- Lowest - SD 5 – 16 educators  
(Grand Rapids area)

Senate District	Total Points of Contact	Unique Points of Contacts
1	167	109
2	103	64
3	96	53
4	56	37
5	34	16
6	140	56
7	71	34
8	46	29
9	63	40
10	104	60

[Click here for full data set](#)

# Resource Library



New Dance & Physical Education Books

**LGBTQ+ INCLUSIVE  
PICTURE BOOKS  
FROM PERPICH  
LIBRARY**

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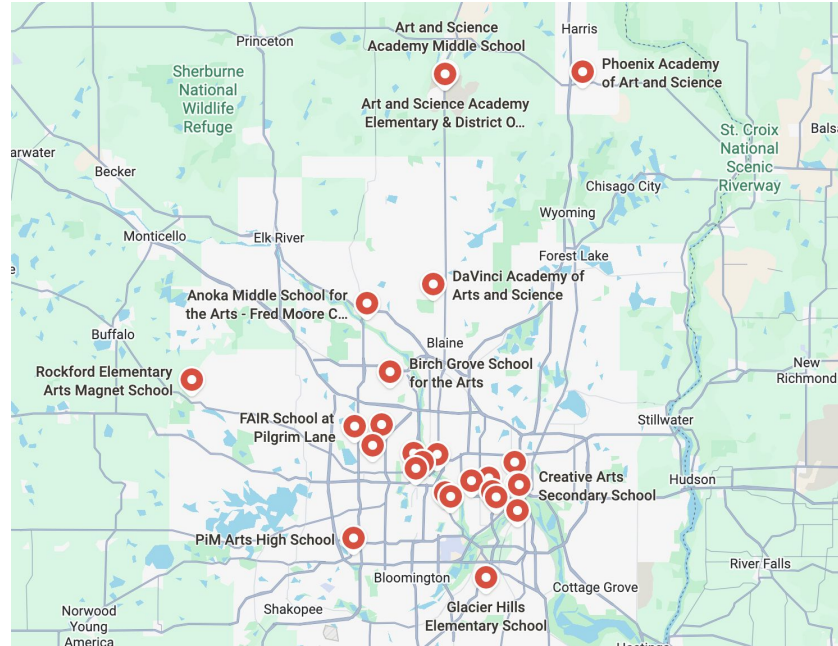
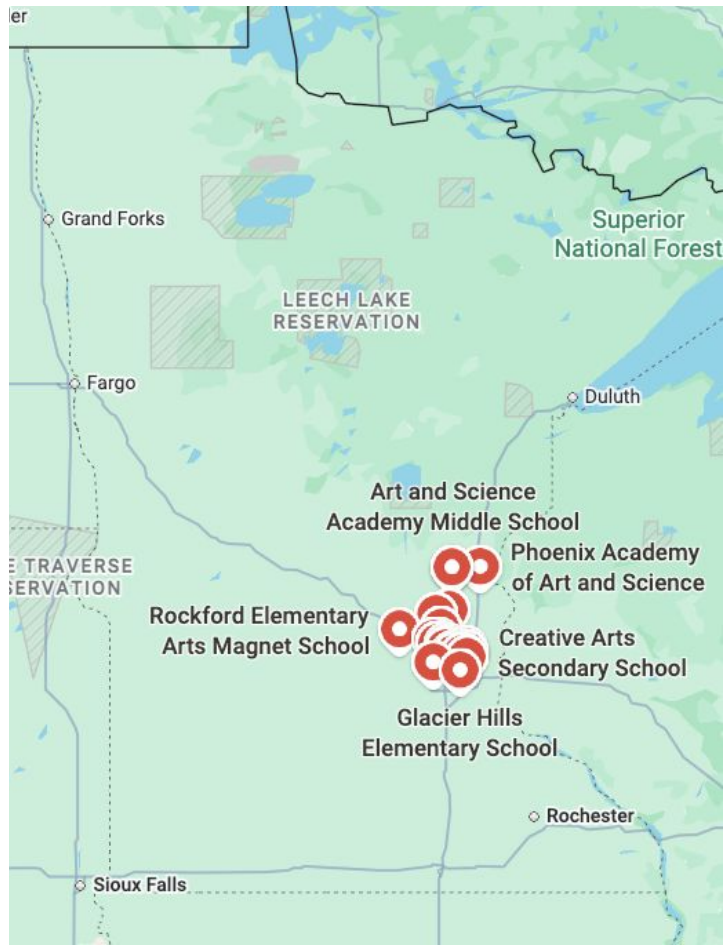
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1	School Districts	# of students attending Perpich from an actual school in the district 25-26	# of students that live in resident dist attending Perpich 25-26
2	Anoka-Hennepin Schools	3	8
3	Bloomington Public Schools		1
4	Brooklyn Center Community Schools		
5	Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose Schools	2	5
6	Burnsville-Eagan-Savage School District		
7	Centennial School District		1
8	Columbia Heights Public Schools		3
9	Duluth Public Schools	2	2
10	Eastern Carver County Schools		
11	Eden Prairie Schools		2
12	Edina Public Schools	1	1
13	Elk River School District	2	2
14	Farmington Area Public Schools		
15	Fridley Public Schools		
16	Hastings Public Schools		

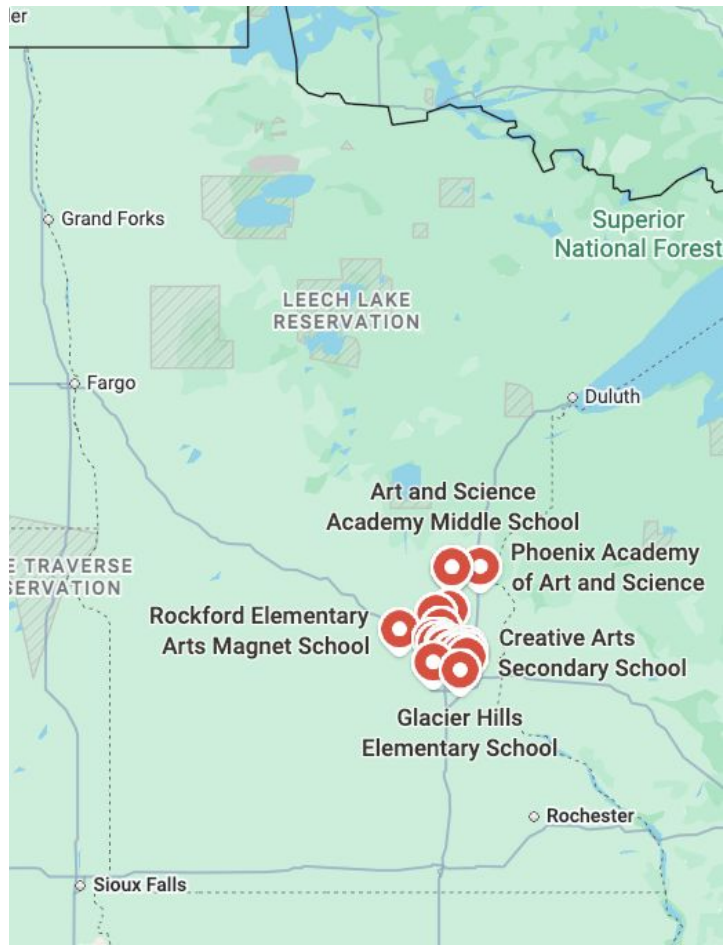
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# Art Schools in MN



# Student Demographics



# Know What Perpich is CURRENTLY Doing for You

**Find your district** on both tabs of the shared spreadsheet!

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# Learn More About What Perpich Could Do For You

Follow us on social media



Sign up for our newsletter(s) - email me or [click on this Google Form](#)

Check us out at your next conference – MREA, AMSD, MSBA, MASA



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# **“I’m awesome. I want to help your statewide work!”**

**Connect** – reach out for a tour of Perpich and/ or a cup of coffee

**Celebrate** our 40th Anniversary - Sept 13, 1- 4pm

**Say something nice** about us to your State Reps

**Milky Way**



 **Star**

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# Thank you!

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