

# ECISD Fine Arts School Board Presentation



PRESENTED BY AARON HAWLEY

# ECISD Fine Arts

The mission of the ECISD Fine Arts department is to prepare our students for the future by fostering their creativity, self-expression, and excellence.

# Fine Arts District Personnel



**THELMA CHAPA**  
Administrative Assistant



**DR. AARON HAWLEY**  
Executive Director



**SHARI RILEY**  
Elementary Coordinator

# Fine Arts Campus Personnel

## Head Directors

- Band - Sonia Campos & Jeff Whitaker
- Choir - Ginger Storey & Laurie Wash
- Dance - Kristina Rios & Kristin Carter
- Guitar - Jose Campos
- Harp - Francesca Florance
- JROTC - Col. Henry Canas & Col. David Edson
- Mariachi - Jerimie Hernandez
- Orchestra - John Benton & Todd Berridge
- Theatre - Chyree LeMaster & Micaela Grenier
- Visual Arts - Baldo Valeriano & Laree Morris

## Teachers

- 42 Elementary Teachers
- 90 Secondary Fine Arts Teachers
- 4 JROTC Instructors



ECISD Teacher Art Show at OC  
Fall 2023



# Fine Arts Quick Facts

- Total Fine Arts Enrollment: 25,978 (79% of ECISD students)
- Elementary Music at All Campuses
- 15 Elementary Campuses have 5th Grade Strings
- Two STEAM Campuses (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) at Gale Pond Alamo & Hays
- Milam Fine Arts Academy - Offers Elementary Music, Dance, Harp, Suzuki Orchestra, Theatre, Visual Arts
- Secondary Programs - Band, Choir, Dance, Guitar, Harp, Mariachi, Orchestra, Theatre, Visual Arts



Permian Theatre - Fall 2023

## ECISD Fine Arts Presentation Topics

IMPACT ON STUDENT  
ACHIEVEMENT

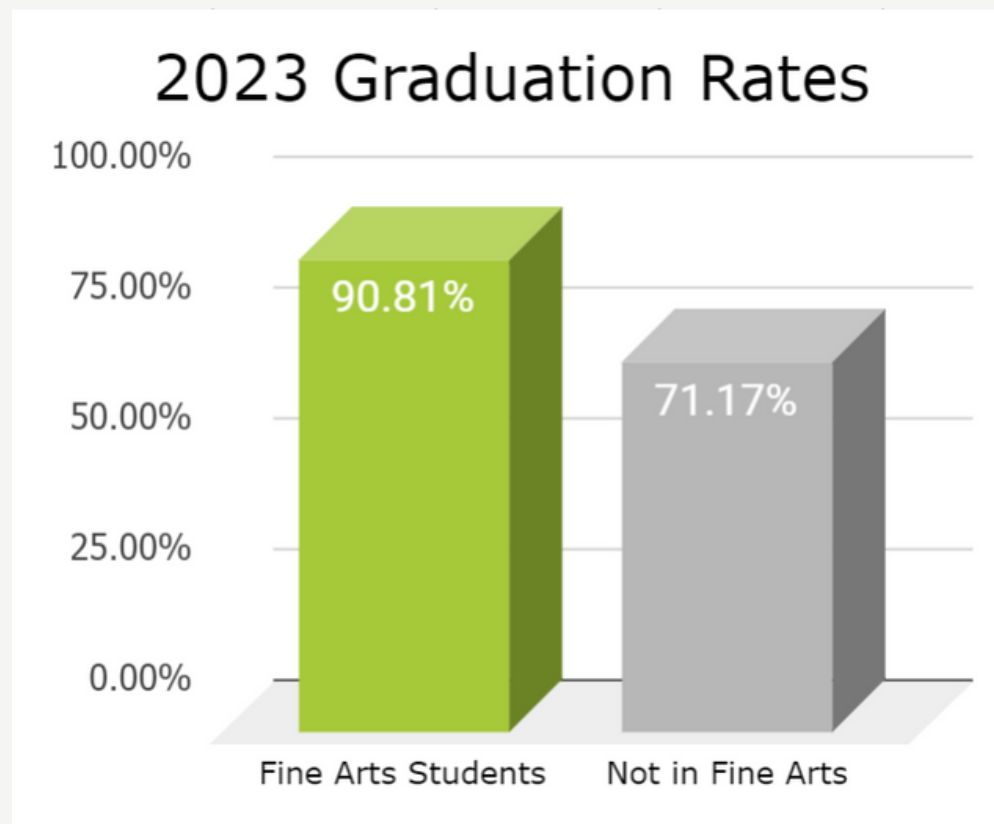
FIFTH GRADE STRINGS  
PROGRAM  
& COMMUNITY SUPPORT

PLANS FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL  
FINE ARTS PROGRAMS

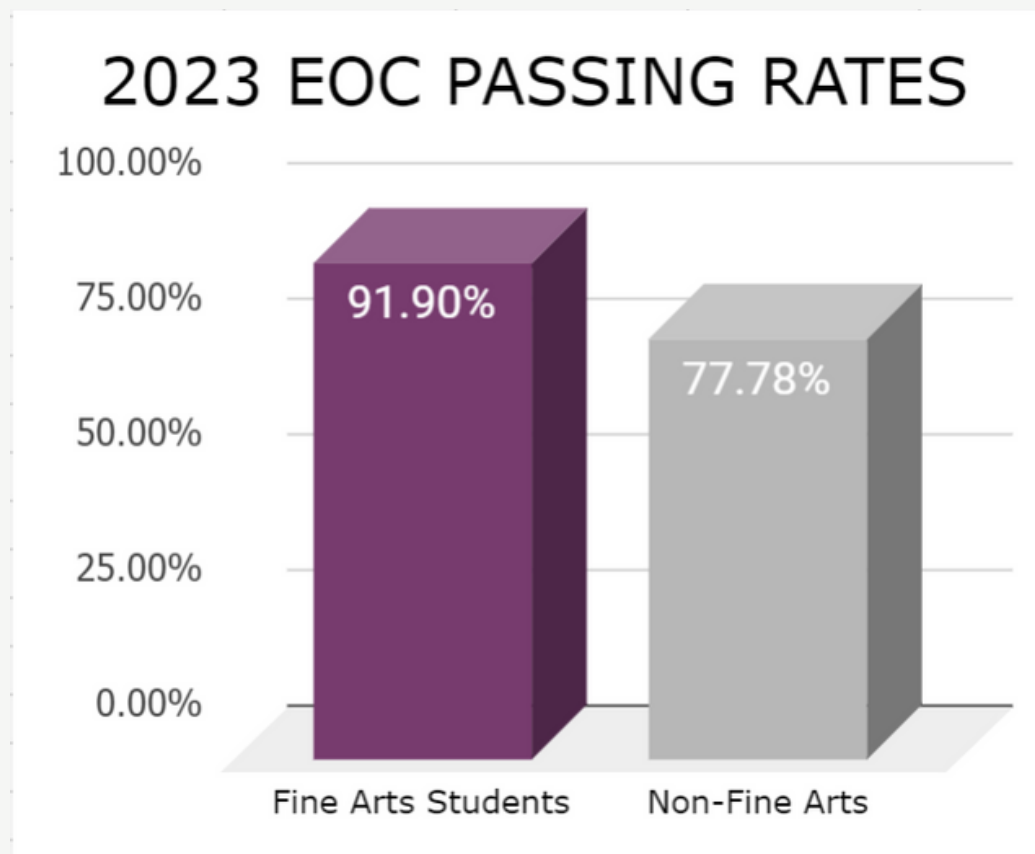
BOND UPDATE



# Impact on Student Achievement



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# 5th Grade Strings Program

Two years ago, the Fine Arts department was approved to restart the Strings Program at all ECISD elementary campuses. This decision was made due to the very low enrollment in our Orchestra programs across the district.

- All ECISD Orchestra teachers are now assigned to teach elementary strings for a portion of their day.
- 5th Grade Strings has been added to 15 campuses, and we plan to expand as staffing allows.
- There are already over 400 elementary students involved in the program!
- One new itinerant strings position was added in 2023, and Ms. Sally Pool was able to return to ECISD to fill this position. She teaches at 5 campuses and helps mentor our young orchestra teachers.
- Programs began performing last spring, and many campuses had their students perform at a Winter Concert this past season!

# Community Support

A very special thank you to the Education Foundation, Celeste Potter, and Dr. Susan Lara for helping us secure special funding for Fine Arts. The fifth-grade strings program would not have come to fruition without the generosity of local foundations and the coordination of the Education Foundation to secure these grants!



**FMH**  
**FOUNDATION**

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## FMH FOUNDATION

We would like to highlight the generosity of the FMH Foundation. Their philanthropy continues to bless the students of ECISD and the entire Permian Basin. Over the past four years, they have provided new uniforms for both Odessa HS and Permian HS, installed a new sound booth and updated the AV equipment in the Permian Auditorium, supported our 5th-grade strings program, and purchased 4 amazing Steinway grand pianos. This spring, they awarded our Fine Arts department \$200,000 for new upright pianos!



# Plan for Middle School Fine Arts

We are very pleased that all six of our ECISD Middle School campuses will have Fine Arts programs next year. Here are the planned course offerings:

Bonham MS	Bowie MS	Crockett MS	Nimitz MS	Wilson & Young MS	Ector MS
					
Band	Band	Band	Band	Band	Band
Choir	Choir	Choir	Choir	Choir	Choir *
Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra *
Theatre	Theatre *	Theatre *	Theatre	Dance	Dance
Visual Arts	Visual Arts	Visual Arts	Visual Arts	Visual Arts	Visual Arts
	Harp - Transfer	Mariachi - Transfer			Mariachi – Transfer *

*\* Availability of these courses is based upon course requests and staffing*





# 2023 ECISD Bond

## 18.5 Million for Fine Arts & JROTC

- 12.5 Million - Complete renovation of the Permian High School Auditorium/Theater
  - Permian HS auditorium is original to the building, built in 1959.
  - The original seats were replaced in 1995, with used seats purchased from another school district.
  - Recent upgrades to light and sound will be integrated into the renovation
- 3.5 Million - Replace outdated instruments
  - Over 3,200 instruments are owned by the district
  - 1,000 instruments are older than 15 years old & 375 instruments are 30 years or older
  - Estimated replacement cost of approximately 1000 instruments = \$3.5 million
- 1.5 Million - JROTC Facility Needs
- \$685,000 - Uniforms for middle school bands and mariachi
  - Lifespan of a marching band uniform is 8-10 years. Last replaced with 2012 bond
  - We have replaced the High School Marching Band uniforms over the past two years with generous donations from the FMH Foundation totaling \$390,000
- \$165,000 - Classroom instruments for elementary campuses
- \$150,000 - Performance risers for all middle school choirs



# Bond Update – Fine Arts Initiatives

## Permian Performing Spaces Renovation Project & JRTOC Facilities

- PSC selected as the Architect for both Projects
- Next Steps - Create committees to meet with the Architect
- Over the next year, we will work with the Architect to design plans. Anticipated construction beginning in June 2025.

## Capital Purchases - Risers, Instruments, Uniforms

- Approved - recommended timeline of purchases
- Ongoing - Updating quotes from vendors
- Ongoing - Updating lists of instruments to replace
- Currently- Purchasing instruments

We already have purchase orders for 128 new instruments - valued at \$302,227!

# Instrument Replacements

Three years ago, we adopted a new inventory management system. Each spring, we have been evaluating/inventorying our instruments to determine their working condition.

The Fine Arts department has created a list of standards for each type of instrument.

The distribution of new instruments will be determined according to:

- Condition of the instruments
- Standards taking into the socio-economic status of the students at the campus
- The specific requests from the directors.





# Thank You!

## QUESTIONS?

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