



BALTIMORE ADVOCATES ARTS EDUCATION

Restoring the Arts as a Core Discipline in Baltimore City Public Schools

#ARTSEDMATTERS

DID YOU KNOW?

Every student in the State of Maryland has a right to an arts education.

State law (COMAR 13A.04.16) requires school systems to provide K–12 students with instruction in:

- Dance
- Media Arts
- Music
- Theatre
- Visual Arts



Yet, ***not every school is meeting these requirements.***

#BA4AE

WHO WE ARE

Baltimore Advocates for Arts Education (BA4AE) is a community-led coalition working to ensure that all Baltimore City Public School students have equitable access to comprehensive arts education.

We are **parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, siblings, cousins, friends, alumni, and neighbors**—united by our commitment to the children of Baltimore. We are actively organizing to make sure the arts are not treated as optional but **prioritized as essential.**

#RAISEYOURHAND

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

- ✓ Follow us on social media
- ✓ Spread the word about BA4AE
- ✓ Respond to calls-to-action (e.g., attend or email the School Board)
- ✓ Volunteer at community outreach events
- ✓ Attend school budget meetings (yes—parents can attend!)
- ✓ Join ad hoc committees (virtual/in-person) to help address key priorities
- ✓ Attend up to four 1-hour community meetings per year
- ✓ Testify publicly or write about the importance of arts education



#WHYNOTNOW

JOIN US

Scan this QR Code to raise your hand to help ensure equitable access to arts education for all city school students.

