

3 Ways to Support Arts Education in Local Schools Right Now

Under the new Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), all California school districts must adopt a three-year Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) by June 30. Below are three ways to participate in this process right now.

1. Share the Arts Education LCAP Template: Developed by Arts for All, Arts for LA and the California Alliance for Arts Education, the Arts Education LCAP Template offers sample arts education strategies to improve student achievement and address state priorities in a district LCAP. You can be a solution partner by sharing this resource by email or in a quick conversation with a school administrator or VAPA coordinator. Call the district office and identify who is responsible for leading the LCAP process and contact them. Download the **LCAP template here:** <http://www.artsforla.org/artseducationLCAP>. **Watch this webinar for more help:** <http://www.artsed411.org/LCFF>

2. Offer Comment on Your District's Draft LCAP: LCFF requires districts to present draft LCAP plans to the community for feedback. Advocates can share their input at public hearings, in written comments or by meeting with elected board representatives. Local schools boards are required to respond in writing to feedback from the parent advisory committee. Check your district website for draft plans and dates of upcoming meetings. Connect with your parent advisory committee members, district representatives and board members to share comments on the draft LCAP. **Read our toolkit for a template letter and sample talking points:** <http://www.artsed411.org/LCFF>

3. Share Your District LCAP: LCAPs offer a great opportunity to document, gather and measure the impact of arts education on student outcomes. **Visit our survey** to offer feedback on the LCAP Template and share ideas and best practices from yours: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ArtsEdLCAP>

Be a solution partner. LCFF offers arts supporters an opportunity to engage in the decision-making process and to educate members of our community about the ways that arts education contributes to student success. Remember, building relationships and providing education lay the groundwork for future advocacy efforts.



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