

Taft Union High School District

Proposition 28: Arts and Music in Schools Annual Plan and Report 2024-2025

Snapshot-in-Time Update: September 2025

TUHSD NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF PROP 28 ARTS EDUCATION PROGRAM FUNDING

1. In 2023-2024, the Taft Union High School District (TUHSD) is estimated to receive \$190,603 and plans to continue receiving funding each year to expand arts education for all students. The annual allocation will expand Arts and Music Education access across all VAPA areas for all students. We propose to expend these funds in alignment with the governing statute while attempting to utilize the state's Waiver process in 2023-24. Notably, the plans to use resources to fund our art, theater, and music as well as related program supplies and equipment. Program funds are allocated on a schoolwide basis and therefore all students will have access to benefits of the program.
2. TUHSD continues to collaboratively plan for expanding and enhancing our existing Arts program for all students during the 2025-26 school year via one-time, start-up costs of cutting-edge VPA supplies, materials, and arts educational partnership programs with the estimated \$222,613 in funding for the 2024-25 funding cycle and in alignment with the governing statutes. Given the unique '80% problem' and lack of qualified staffing available in the TUHSD, the district's current problem is an inability to fully meet the extensive infrastructure needs common to small rural districts. However, TUHS was able to hire Prop 28 Music Tutors for the 2025-26 school year and is exploring the potential of adding an extra-curricular style Mariachi program. BVHS was able to add a new Fine Arts elective offering and included needed materials and supplies to facilitate increased services for students.
3. As planned during the 2024-2025 school year, we are continuing to fund one-time start-up costs via CDE approved waiver to help with Arts and Music access to materials and supplies.
 - a. TUHSD's VAPA team again identified the greatest current needs and inequities for TUHSD students within the areas of Arts-specific infrastructure. Notably, the Art, Theater, and Music program's related supplies and equipment continue to be a key focus. The detailed plan to address the problem statement to improve opportunities for all students includes:
 - i. Ongoing Visual & Performing Arts Infrastructure: Stage & Setting Renovations (\$100,000.00). TUHS Auditorium will receive long awaited modernizing and enhancement to existing auditorium audio, video, lighting, curtains, and fly system to facilitate increased services for students.

- ii. One-time addition of a Taft High Mariachi Troupe (\$40,000): after school to include a coach/tutor, storage of equipment, instruments, and costumes.
 - iii. Fine Arts: A New Course Offering Expansion (\$20,500.00): Add one period of an Music-based elective, adding an extended day, at Buena Vista HS, including needed materials and supplies to facilitate increased services and activities for students.
 - iv. One-time addition of Art Supplies (\$5,000): elective, travel and supplies for the new art elective at Buena Vista HS..
 - v. One-time addition of Chamber Singers (\$5,000): elective, travel and supplies for Taft HS.
 - vi. One-time addition of CCAP Dual Enrollment course supplies (\$5,000): travel and activities for Taft HS.
 - vii. Miscellaneous/Unidentified (\$52,113): Program funds are allocated on a schoolwide basis and therefore all students will have access to benefits of the program. Less than 1% of funding, currently 0%, is planned to be used for District administrative expenses.
4. TUHSD site principals at TUHS and BVHS will continue providing an annual update to the district detailing the progress of multiple measurable outcomes to monitor the implementation and impact of the AMS funds to supplement and enhance VAPA programming.
- a. **Desired Outcome 1** → Full completion of Stage & Setting Renovations to the TUHS Auditorium to all existing auditorium audio, video, lighting, curtains, and fly system during the 2024-25 school year. **[IN PROCESS]**
 - b. **Desired Outcome 2** → Full completion of the TUHS Music Building infrastructure including one-time expenses such as updating audio, lighting, and acoustics during the 2024-25 school year. **[IN PROCESS]**
 - c. **Desired Outcome 3** → Full implementation of at least one Art-based Course offering, an increase of at least one period of an Art-based elective, at Buena Vista Alternative High School. **[IMPLEMENTED]**
 - d. **Desired Outcome 4** → Full implementation of needed supplies, and equipment to support the Art-based elective at Buena Vista Alternative High School during the 2024-25 school year. **[IMPLEMENTED]**
 - e. **Desired Outcome** → (New for the 2024-25 school year) Full implementation of at least three newly hired Prop 28 Music Tutors for after school support of Band and Music students. **[IN PROCESS]**

Taft Union High School District Initial Proposition 28 Expenditure Plan 2023-24 Funding Year

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Funding Based on Enrollment (E.C. Section 8820(c)(1)	Date of Plan Adoption:	
\$131,061.00	06/10/2024	
Funding Based on FRPM Eligible Pupils (E.C. Section 8820(c)(2)	*** Per CDE; https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/r14/prop28amresults.asp	
\$57,012.00		
Total Funding Allocated		
\$188,073.00		

<i>Area of Focus:</i>	<i>Category/Expense Type:</i>	<i>Action / Expenditure:</i>	<i>Amount Appropriated:</i>	<i>Planned Expenditure Budget Year:</i>
<i>Visual & Performing Arts</i>	<i>Stage & Setting Renovations - TUHS Auditorium</i>	<i>Modernize and enhance existing Auditorium audio, video, lighting, curtains, fly system, etc. to improve opportunities for all students</i>	<i>\$100,000.00</i>	<i>2024-25</i>
<i>Visual & Performing Arts</i>	<i>Facilities Updates - Music Room</i>	<i>Modernize and enhance existing Music Building, including updating audio, lighting, acoustics, etc.</i>	<i>\$80,000.00</i>	<i>2024-25</i>
<i>Fine Arts</i>	<i>Course Offering Expansion</i>	<i>Increase one period of an Art-based elective at our alternative high school setting, Buena Vista HS, including needed supplies, equipment, etc. to support such a program.</i>	<i>\$7,500.00</i>	<i>2024-25</i>
	<i>Miscellaneous/ Unidentified</i>		<i>\$573.00</i>	
TOTAL APPROPRIATED: \$188,073.00				
			\$0.00	

Scope of Services: FTE, Students, and Sites (updated August 2025)

1. Number of full-time equivalent teachers (certificated): 000
2. Number of full-time equivalent personnel (classified): 000
3. Number of full-time equivalent teaching aides: 000
4. Number of students served in 2024-25: ~30
5. Number of school sites providing arts education: 002

Date Approval by Governing Board/Body:

September 15, 2024

Annual Report Data URL:

<https://www.taftunion.org>

Submission Date /

→ *Submission to the CDE via the [AMS Web Portal](#) is due by September 30, 2025.*