

Attachment 14



Fine Arts

The Bridge to Excellence in Public Schools Act requires that the updated Master Plan “shall include goals, objectives, and strategies” for Programs in Fine Arts. Local school systems are expected to provide a cohesive, stand-alone response to the prompts and questions outlined below.

1. Describe the **progress** that was made in 2006-2007 toward meeting Programs in Fine Arts goals, strategies, and objectives articulated in the system’s Bridge to Excellence (BTE) Master Plan.
2. Identify the programs, practices, or strategies and related resource allocations that are related to the progress reported in prompt #1.
3. Describe which goals, objectives, and strategies included in the BTE Master Plan were not attained and where **challenges** in making progress toward meeting Programs in Fine Arts goals and objectives are evident.
4. Describe the goals, objectives, and strategies that will be implemented during 2007-2008 and plans for addressing the challenges identified in prompt #3. Include a description of the adjustments that will be made along with related resources to ensure progress toward meeting identified goals, objectives, and strategies. Where appropriate, include timelines.

Progress in fine arts for Somerset County included the following. An additional visual arts teacher was added at the elementary level. Visual arts instruction by dedicated personnel is now provided in all four of our mainland elementary schools. An additional elementary music and chorus teacher was added. All students attended a fine arts performance. Primary students were included in the county art show for the first time. A silent auction was provided during the art show for high school artists who wished to participate. Secondary fine arts teachers met during APD by content area to review the draft VSC and complete a needs survey. All of our mainland elementary schools participated in Interactive Story Theater which included professional development for classroom teachers and artists in residence.

Funds from the Maryland Fine Arts grant provided the opportunity for every student to attend a dramatic performance by either bringing productions to campus or paying for transportation and admission for trips to other venues. Intermediate and high school instrumental bands continued to increase enrollment and received excellent or superior in all adjudicated competitions. The Fine Arts grant provided for trips to New York for drama and instrumental music groups from each high school. Both high school drama groups presented a performance each semester.

Challenges continue to be staffing for supervision and the elementary level. We offer no dance opportunities at any level and don’t offer instrumental music until the sixth grade. Because of the size of our school system (enrollment of 2900), it is difficult to provide content area specific professional development for our fine arts teachers. Our secondary Afternoon Professional Development does provide time for specialized in-service but the small number of staff members make consultants fees exorbitant.

Goals, Objectives, and Strategies

1. A K-12 fine Arts committee will be established that will meet four times per year. Membership will include Somerset County staff and members from the Somerset Fine Arts Council.
2. Every student will have the opportunity to attend a fine arts performance either on or off campus. This is designed to improve interest and enrollment in fine arts offerings.
3. Departmental meetings will be held five times a year during the after school professional development. Scope and sequences will be developed for teacher use to guide instruction.
4. A full time chorus teacher will be hired for Crisfield High School.
5. Using Maryland Fine Arts Grants funds, fine arts staff will receive content area professional development using a combination of on premises staff development using outside consultants and attendance of off campus workshops and conferences.

Fine Arts Budget Narrative

The FY2008 Fine Arts Initiative has been designed to supplement local school division expenditures to provide an effective offering for the students of the school system. The expenditures not only will provide fine art opportunities but increase the capacity of the school system.

Instructional Category/Regular Program/Contracted Services- \$7800

\$7800 has been allotted for contract services to provide performance opportunities for every student within the school system during the 2007-2008 school year (Goal 4). This money will be used either to provide performances on campus or to pay for admission for performances or exhibits outside the school. The Master Plan goal for the county is for every student in the school system to either attend a concert, performance or exhibit. Examples would be plays, concerts, or trips to museums.

Goal 4-

- 5 elementary drama, dance, or music performances with admission supplement of \$600 each- \$3000
- 3 secondary drama, dance, or music performances with performance supplement of \$600 each- \$1800
- Supplements for 3 secondary instrumental trips - \$1000 each= \$3000

Instructional Category/Regular Program/Supplies and Materials- \$700

To improve fine arts instruction, \$700 has been allotted to supplement supplies and materials. These funds will be distributed equitably between visual and performing arts.

- Supplement to promote student participation in external visual art competitions. \$700
The visual arts teachers will each receive \$100 to pay for mounting and shipping expenses for pieces submitted to art displays or competitions. $7 \times 100 = \$700$

Instructional Category/Regular Program/Equipment- \$969

To improve instrumental/chorus music capacity, \$969 is allotted for public address/band equipment to be purchased in whichever school has the greatest need.

Instructional Category/Instructional Staff Development/Salaries & Wages- \$1960

To ensure that the school system better follows the new Fine Arts VSC, \$1960 has been allotted for salaries and wages in the area of staff development. This money will be used to pay for teachers to attend curriculum workshops outside of the regular school hours. We have 14 certificated fine arts employees. Our employees are paid \$20 an hour for curriculum or professional development.

Goal 5,6- Departmental Meetings to for curriculum and professional development: $14 \text{ employees} \times 1 \text{ meeting} \times 7 \text{ hours} \times \$20/\text{hour} = \$1960$

Instructional Category/Instructional Staff Development/Contracted Services- \$1000

Goal 5- Professional development will be provided for fine arts teachers. \$1000 is allotted for outside presenters.

Instructional Category/Instructional Staff Development/Other Charges- \$4640

\$2400 has been set aside for conference and workshop fees. \$960 is set aside for lodging. \$800 has been allotted for transportation. \$480 has been set aside for food.

Instructional Category/Instructional Staff Development/Supplies and Materials- \$145

- 5 meetings of fine arts content areas- \$29 for materials- \$145

Student Transportation/Contract Services- \$6300

To support student performances, \$6300 has also been allotted for student transportation under the category of contracted services (Goal 4). In some cases, the transportation will be provided by our regular contract bus drivers. At other times, charter busses will be used.

Goal 4-

- Supplements for transportation for 8 programs off campus- 4 busses X 3.3 hours X \$15/hour (\$200)+ 4 busses X \$75 mileage (\$300) + 4 busses X \$25 startup fee (\$100)=\$600 per program Total \$4800
- Supplements for transportation for secondary instrumental trips- 3 X \$500.00

Fixed Charges/Other Charges- \$162.00

\$162.00 in fixed charges has been included to reflect the associated salary costs for FICA (.0765) and Workman's Compensation (.00592) based on \$1960 for salary stipends. The purpose of the curriculum workshop will be to select those portions of the VSC which can be provided for all students given our present level of staffing.

Total

\$23676

Budget Narrative

Somerset Fine Arts FY2008					
Category/Object	Line Item	Calculation	Amount	In-Kind	Total
Instructional Category/Regular Program/Contract Services	Secondary Performances	3 perform. x \$600	1,800.00		7,800.00
	Elementary Performances	5 perform. x \$600	3,000.00		
	Instrumental Performance	3 perform. x \$1000	3,000.00		
Instructional Category/Regular Program/Supplies and Materials	Art Show Materials				700.00
	Display Materials	7 teachers x \$100	700.00		
Instructional Category/Regular Program/Equipment	Band/Chorus Equipment	3 schools			969.00
	Supplement	x \$323	969.00		
Instructional Category/Instructional Staff Development/Salaries and Wages	Stipends for Fine Arts	14 tch x 7hrs x	1,960.00		1,960.00
	Departmental Meetings	\$20/hr			
Instructional Category/Instructional Staff Development/ Contract Services	Stipend for consultants	4 consultants x			1,000.00
		\$250	1,000.00		
Instructional Category/Instruction Staff Development/ Supplies and Materials	snacks for staff meetings	5 meetings x \$29	145.00		145.00
Instructional Category/Instructional Staff Development/Other Charges	Registration fees	12 staff x \$200	2,400.00		4,640.00
	Lodging	8 x 120	960.00		
	Transportation to wkshp	4 x \$200	800.00		
	Food	\$480	480.00		
Student transportation/ Contract Services	Transportation for students attending trips	8 trips x \$600	4,800.00		6,300.00
		3 band trips x 500.00	1,500.00		
Fixed charges / Other Charges	FICA	f21 (1960)x.0765	150.00		162.00
	Workman's Comp	f21 (1960)x .00592	12.00		
		TOTAL			23,676.00

ORIGINAL GRANT BUDGET	\$23,676.00	AMENDED BUDGET #		REQUEST DATE	08/15/07
GRANT NAME	Fine Arts Initiative	GRANT RECIPIENT NAME	Somerset County Public Schools		
MSDE GRANT #		RECIPIENT GRANT #			
REVENUE SOURCE		RECIPIENT AGENCY NAME	Somerset County Public Schools		
FUND SOURCE CODE		GRANT PERIOD	7/1/2007	6/30/2009	

FROM _____ TO _____

CATEGORY/PROGRAM	BUDGET OBJECT						BUDGET BY CAT./PROG.
	01- SALARIES & WAGES	02 - CONTRACT SERVICES	03- SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	04 - OTHER CHARGES	05 - EQUIPMENT	08 - TRANSFERS	
201 Administration							
Prog. 21 General Support							0.00
Prog. 22 Business Support							0.00
Prog. 23 Centralized Support							0.00
202 Mid-Level Administration							
Prog. 15 Office of the Principal							0.00
Prog. 16 Inst. Admin. & Supv.							0.00
203-205 Instruction Categories							
Prog. 01 Regular Prog.		7,800.00	700.00		969.00		9,469.00
Prog. 02 Special Prog.							0.00
Prog. 03 Career & Tech Prog.							0.00
Prog. 04 Gifted & Talented Prog.							0.00
Prog. 07 Non Public Transfers							0.00
Prog. 08 School Library Media							0.00
Prog. 09 Instruction Staff Dev.	1,960.00	1,000.00	145.00	4,640.00			7,745.00
Prog. 10 Guidance Services							0.00
Prog. 11 Psychological Services							0.00
Prog. 12 Adult Education							0.00
206 Special Education							
Prog. 04 Public Sch Instr. Prog.							0.00
Prog. 09 Instruction Staff Dev.							0.00
Prog. 15 Office of the Principal							0.00
Prog. 16 Inst. Admin & Superv.							0.00
207 Student Personnel Serv.							0.00
208 Student Health Services							0.00
209 Student Transportation		6,300.00					6,300.00
210 Plant Operation							
Prog. 30 Warehousing & Distr.							0.00
Prog. 31 Operating Services							0.00
211 Plant Maintenance							0.00
212 Fixed Charges				162.00			162.00
214 Community Services							0.00
215 Capital Outlay							
Prog. 34 Land & Improvements							0.00
Prog. 35 Buildings & Additions							0.00
Prog. 36 Remodeling							0.00
Total Expenditures By Object	1,960.00	15,100.00	845.00	4,802.00	969.00	0.00	23,676.00

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