

# THEATRE AND THE ARTS

did you know...?

→ The arts are a core subject under federal law, similar to math, English, and other curricular academics.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Education.

→ There are nearly 24,000 K-12 school-based theatre programs throughout the United States.

Source: MTD Marketing, 2011.

→ “The study of drama, dance, music, and the visual arts helps students explore realities, relationships, and ideas that cannot be conveyed simply in words or numbers.”

—Arne Duncan, Secretary of Education.

Source: *Reinvesting in Arts Education*, President’s Committee on the Arts and Humanities report, 2011.

For more facts about the value of theatre education, go to [schooltheatre.org/advocacy](http://schooltheatre.org/advocacy).

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