The Tennessee Arts Education Data Project creates the state’s first-ever online searchable database on PK-12 student access to and participation in arts education. The purpose of the project is to empower school districts, educators, policymakers and funders with arts education data for decision-making in support of a well-rounded education.

**TENNESSEE ARTS EDUCATION DATA PROJECT**

**KEY HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR**

**DATA PRESENTED**
- 1,726 Schools
- 966,895 Students
- Artistic Disciplines
- Individual Courses

**PARTICIPATION**

70% of all students are enrolled in at least one arts course in schools

**ENROLLMENT BY ARTISTIC DISCIPLINE**
- 56% Music
- 49% Visual Arts
- 4% Theater
- 1% Dance

**ENROLLMENT IN ARTS EDUCATION BY LOCALE CODE**
- 77% CITY
- 78% SUBURBAN
- 65% TOWN
- 61% RURAL

**ENROLLMENT IN AT LEAST ONE ARTS COURSE BY SCHOOL TYPE**
- 71% TRADITIONAL SCHOOLS
- 39% CHARTER SCHOOLS

**ACCESS**

93% of all students have access to arts instruction

79% of all students have access to both music and visual arts as required by state policy

68% of schools offer both music and visual arts

**ACCESS BY % OF STUDENTS QUALIFYING FOR FREE & REDUCED LUNCH (FRL)**

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