





North Carolina.

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## \$1 for the ARTS: Our Mission, Our Message... and more...

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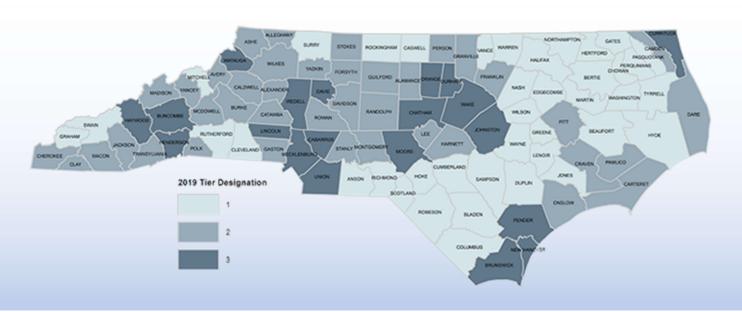


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Tier I: 40 MOST economically distressed NC counties

Tier II: The next 40 NC counties in terms of economic distress

Tier III: The 20 *LEAST* economically distressed NC counties









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#### **North Carolina Arts Council**

- □ 50+ Year Legacy of Accountable Investment of Taxpayer Dollars
- □ NC Arts Council Grant Funding is awarded Strategically and Equitably
- □ Every NCAC Grants Requires a minimum 1:1 Funding Match□ With exceptions only for some Tier I Counties
- ☐ Overall, every NC Arts Council Grant Dollar is Matched 1:17
- ☐ This money is being allocated to the NC Arts Council
  - Legislators need to feel both Pride and Trust in the NC Arts Council
  - □ Remember to mention the Positive Impact of the NC Arts Council









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- □ Grants go to Grassroots Partner Organization in 100 counties (Arts Councils)
- □ Those organizations allocate sub-grants to 545 organizations statewide
- □ Currently every county receives a \$6,000 base allocation with additional funding awarded per capita
- □ With \$5M, the base allocation could increase and rural communities would see a larger percentage growth, allowing for more significant impact
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  - □ State Arts Resources (SARs) have regional impact
    - **☐** Museums, Performing Arts, Festivals, Schools, Venues
  - ☐ Residencies and Education Programs in Schools
  - □ SmART Initiative for Creative Placemaking (Rural and Urban)
    - **□** Economic Development and Downtown Revitalization
  - ☐ Military Veteran Arts Programs
  - □ Rural Touring Initiative for State Arts Resources
  - □ Program and Project Support for many organizations

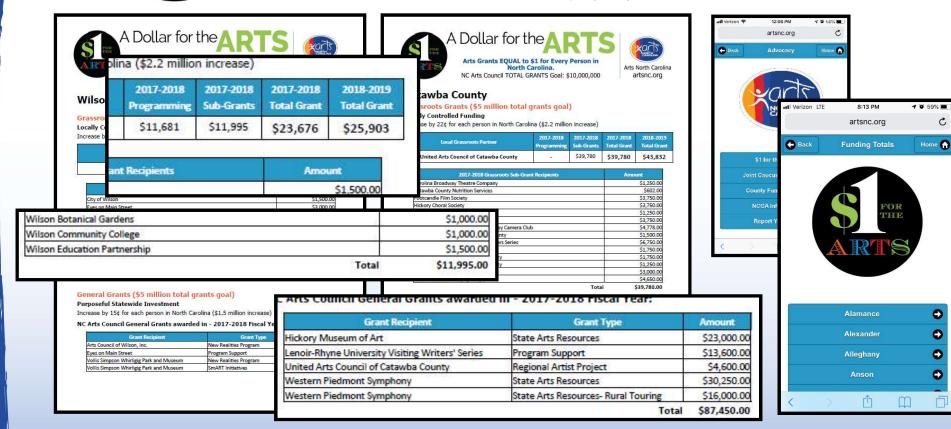








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# Arts High School Graduation Requirement: H56=S238

- ☐ Fifth bill since 2012
- ☐ Keeps passing House- Never gets a vote in Senate
- **☐** Matching Senate and House bills improve chances
- □ Passed the NC House on March 20<sup>th</sup> 115-3 (best yet)
- ☐ One arts credit between grade 6 and 12
- ☐ State Board of Education has until December 15, 2022 to set criteria, create a plan for implementation, and report on Comprehensive Arts Education
- □ Would start with students entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade in 2022
  - □ First graduating class 2029
- ☐ H56: Primary Sponsors: Reps. Carney, Elmore, and Johnson
- ☐ 30 co-sponsors & passed NC House, now to NC Senate
- ☐ S238: Primary Sponsors: Sen. Ballard and Sen. Woodard
- **□** 5 co-sponsors (all Democrats)





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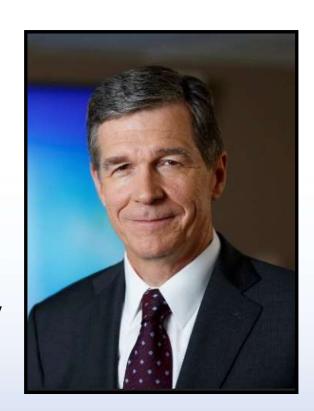
- ☐ Thank the House Representatives (except three)
- ☐ Tell Senators you support the bill and want it considered
- ☐ State Board of Education has over three years and ample flexibility to create the criteria and implementation plan that works best for NC schools and students
- ☐ Most schools (at least 93%) already provide arts classes
- ☐ Most students (at least 78%) are already meeting this requirement in Middle School
- □ Involvement in the arts has been proven to dramatically increase graduation rates and academic achievement, especially for the most economically challenged students
- □ Creativity is considered the most important skill for employees by 72% of business leaders
- □ For more information, contact Arts Caucus Chairs (bill sponsors) or Arts NC (nate@artsnc.org)





### **Governor Roy Cooper's Budget**

- □ \$250,000 for the State Arts Resource Rural Touring Grants to reach Rural and Underserved Communities.
- □ \$300,000 and two full time equivalent positions for the SmART initiative to expand the program.
- □ \$300,000 and one full-time equivalent position for the A+ Schools initiative.
- □ SAR Rural Touring and SmART are part of \$1 for the ARTS
  - ☐ SAR Rural Touring and SmART align with "Hometown Strong"
  - □ Advocacy for staff positions can be difficult for advocates
  - □ NC Arts Council Staff can advocate for Governor's budget only
- □ A+ Schools does not fit in the \$1 for the ARTS grants "ask"
  - □ Arts NC supports funding for A+ Schools
  - □ A+ Schools of North Carolina is a national leader in Arts Integration Education
  - □ \$1 for the ARTS supports Arts Education statewide









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  - □ Schedules for both days
  - Maps and Parking
  - **□** Legislator Information
  - ☐ Legislative Leave Behind
  - ☐ Grant Information by County
  - ☐ Talking Points for the Issues
  - ☐ Information about the Arts Caucus
  - □ REPORT YOUR VISIT- ASAP AFTER MEETING
  - **☐** Survey for after ARTS Day



