

Visual & Performing Arts

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The Larkspur-Corte Madera School District’s vision is to provide an extraordinary education for every child and a positive, supportive environment where each student can thrive. Our Arts vision is aligned with our district vision – all students K-8 will have access to comprehensive, sequential, culturally-dynamic, standards-based instruction in the four Arts disciplines – Dance, Music, Theater, and Visual Arts. In LCMSD, Arts spark learning.



Anyone who walks into our schools’ learning environments will immediately see the impact of the Arts on student learning. Students are engaged in rich experiences that integrate Dance, Music, Theater, and Visual Arts with Science, History, Math, and Language. Instead of just reading textbooks and reciting facts, our students are delving into the content through experiences that engage them in unique and exciting modes of learning. Through the Arts, they become active participants in their own learning. From re-creating dramatic scenes from literature, to constructing pop-up books in order to understand plate

tectonics, to painting visual essays that are used as guides for essay writing, there are innumerable opportunities for students to construct meaning through the Arts in our schools.

Our students are creative problem-solvers who collaborate, experiment, think critically, and discover new things about themselves and the world by learning through the Arts. In addition to Arts integration, we also offer high-quality discrete arts instruction at all grade levels. All students



participate in visual arts and music classes K-6, and continue on a sequence of elective Arts courses as seventh and eighth graders. We offer a variety of Visual and Performing Arts courses, taught by highly qualified, experienced professionals who are dedicated to the craft and strive to instill in our students a love of the Arts.



We believe in creating dynamic learning experiences that will motivate and inspire our children. The Arts provides opportunities for hands-on learning and have the capacity to reach all students, including those who struggle in traditional learning environments. This is because Arts allow for multiple entry points in to the curriculum. The Arts encourage experimentation, reflection, greater observation skills, and elicit deeper learning.