

THE ARTS IN EDUCATION

- Whereas, The National PTA, through its Commission on Individual Development and its Reflections Project, has long placed emphasis on the cultural and fine arts; and
- Whereas, The National PTA believes that the arts--music, literature, dance, dramatics, and visual arts--are central to learning; and
- Whereas, The National PTA wishes to focus attention and energy on the arts as a universal phenomenon and a means of communication; and
- Whereas, The infusion of the arts in the elementary, secondary, and continuing education curriculum is a key to the humanistic development of students; and
- Whereas, The arts are found in schools today in varying stages of acceptance and differing programs of instruction; and
- Whereas, The integration of the arts in general education is imperative if the PTA is to respond to the goals statements enunciated by the Office of Education and many of our State Boards of Education; now therefore be it
- Resolved, That PTAs create a public awareness of the arts; and
- Resolved, That PTAs continue to be strong advocates of improved arts education programs; and
- Resolved, That PTAs emphasize the value of the arts in the schools as useful tools for everyday living; and be it further
- Resolved, That PTAs encourage school districts, educators, and other interested sources to integrate the arts in the school curriculum as essential elements; and be it further
- Resolved, That this resolution shall be in full force and effect until the last day of June 2028.
- Adopted: by the 1979 Convention Delegates
- Reviewed: by the 1989, 1993, 1994 and 1999 Convention Resolutions Committee