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## FOR SCHOOL SITE AND DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

School \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Grades Taught (in District) \_\_\_\_\_

What is your administrative position? \_\_\_\_\_

- A.** How many minutes of instruction are provided per week in elementary classrooms in the following?  
(for elementary and unified districts)

music	none___	0 to 30___	30 to 60___	more than 60___
visual art	none___	0 to 30___	30 to 60___	more than 60___
dance	none___	0 to 30___	30 to 60___	more than 60___
drama	none___	0 to 30___	30 to 60___	more than 60___

- B.** What opportunities are available to students for courses taught by specialists?

Band	___	Minutes per week___	Orchestra	___	Minutes per week___
Chorus	___	Minutes per week___	Dance	___	Minutes per week___
Theatre	___	Minutes per week___	Visual Art	___	Minutes per week___
General Music	___	Minutes per week___	Other	_____	Minutes per week___

- C.** Do all students have access? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

Please comment. Describe how students have or do not have access.

- D.** Have your arts minutes changed over the past 3 years? Increased\_\_\_ Decreased\_\_\_ Same\_\_\_

If decreased, why? (please comment) If same or increased, how have you been able to maintain or increase the level?

Other comments. (use reverse as needed)

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**FOR ARTS SPECIALISTS** What is your arts specialty? \_\_\_\_\_ Grades taught \_\_\_\_\_

**A.** Does your school offer opportunities for the following classes?

Band	___	Minutes per week___	Orchestra	___	Minutes per week___
Chorus	___	Minutes per week___	Dance	___	Minutes per week___
Theatre	___	Minutes per week___	Visual Art	___	Minutes per week___
General Music	___	Minutes per week___	Other	_____	Minutes per week___

**B.** Do all students have access? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

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**FOR ELEMENTARY CLASSROOM TEACHERS.** What grade do you teach? \_\_\_\_\_

**A.** How many minutes of instruction is provided to your class per week in each of the following?

music	none___	0 to 30___	30 to 60___	more than 60___
visual art	none___	0 to 30___	30 to 60___	more than 60___
dance	none___	0 to 30___	30 to 60___	more than 60___
drama	none___	0 to 30___	30 to 60___	more than 60___

**B.** Instruction is provided by:(check one or both as applicable) Yourself\_\_\_ A Specialist\_\_\_

Arts instruction is provided as a discrete (independent, not integrated) experience or integrated with other subjects? Discrete\_\_\_ Integrated\_\_\_ Arts instruction is not provided\_\_\_

If Integrated please give an example \_\_\_\_\_

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**C.** Have your arts minutes changed over the past 3 years? Increased\_\_\_ Decreased\_\_\_ Same\_\_\_  
If decreased, why? (please comment) If same or increased, how have you been able to maintain or increase the level?

**D.** Do you have any arts training and experience – specify visual art, music, theatre, or dance?  
(Please comment)

**E.** Do you believe that arts instruction improves academic achievement? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

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