

Summary Explanation and Background continued
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The Incentive Block Grant annually supports cultural, artistic and educational services and programs for schools, students and teachers. The focus is to ensure that arts education is promoted and implemented throughout the District. Highlights of past grant programming included; professional development for teachers in arts education, conferences such as the Annual South Florida Gifted and Talented Symposium, Arts Student Showcases, the Florida Alliance for Arts Education Symposium, Performing & Visual Arts College Fairs, and Artist Residencies.

The 2016–2018 Incentive Block Grant will continue to support the annual arts programs as in previous years, but will also include the Turnaround Arts Program and the Cultural Literacy Initiative. The agreement will provide the following services: professional development workshops/symposiums for educators, student activities and projects for a term of two (2) years. This grant funds \$15,000 annually for two years and requires District-matched funds each year for a combined total of \$60,000. These funds will support, but not be limited to the following:

- Annual Arts Integration Conference
- Annual South Florida Gifted and Talented Symposium
- Turnaround Arts – Arts Integration Professional Development
- Cultural Arts Literacy Initiative
- Superintendent’s Art Exhibition
- Elementary Music Assessments
- School Beautification through the Arts