



2026-2027 Arts Inspire Grant

Supporting Arts Education Access

Every child deserves to be inspired by the wonder and creativity that arts experiences provide. The Arts Inspire Grants support arts programming in Title I schools. This grant is designed to assist with financial barriers for Title 1 campuses to provide students with the opportunity to interact with professional arts and experience the arts from a new perspective. Arts Inspire Grants can be utilized for:

- Field trips to professional arts experiences in the visual arts, dance, music, and theatre, including:
 - Transportation fees
 - Admission fees
- Artist honorarium fees for professional artist visits to school campuses

Arts Inspire Grants cannot be used for contests or contest preparation, private lessons, or teacher fees.

Applicants must be employed by a Texas public school and work for a Title I campus. Priority is given to teachers serving rural, low arts access areas.

The annual grant application window is **August 15 - October 1**.

Applications must be received by 5:00 pm CST on October 1.

* 1. Applicant Contact Information

Name	
School Address	
City	
State	-- select state --
ZIP	
School Email Address	
Personal Phone Number	

*** 2. Principal's Contact Information**

Principal's Name

Principal's Email Address

Campus Phone Number

*** 3. Campus Name**

*** 4. District Name (Eligibility requires you to be under contract with the listed school district)**

*** 5. Please include a link to your school's website**

*** 6. Teaching Assignment Grade Level (check all that apply)**

☐ Elementary, Pre-K-5

☐ Middle School, 6-8

☐ High School, 9-12

☐ EC-12, All Levels

☐ Other (please specify)

*** 7. Teaching Assignment Content Area (check all that apply)**

☐ Dance

☐ Music

☐ Theatre

☐ Visual Art

8. Please indicate specialized teaching assignment, if applicable, such as band director, technical theatre director, choir director, ceramics instructor, etc.

* 9. How many students are enrolled on your campus?

* 10. Describe your campus type. Check all that apply.

☐ Title 1

☐ Rural Community

☐ Under Performing Campus

☐ Low Arts Access (Indicators of arts access are published on the Art Can Map
<https://txculturaltrust.org/what-we-do/artcan/map/>)

Other, please describe.

* 11. Identify the designated community type of your school district. Please see the NCES list to verify your community type,
<https://tea.texas.gov/reports-and-data/school-data/district-type-data-search/district-type-2019-20>

☐ City- Large

☐ Town, Fringe

☐ City- Midsize

☐ Town, Distant

☐ City- Small

☐ Town, Remote

☐ Suburban, Large

☐ Rural, Fringe

☐ Suburban, Midsize

☐ Rural, Distant

☐ Suburban, Small

☐ Rural, Remote

*** 12. Describe your campus's student demographics.**

If you do not have access to this information it can be found at <https://txculturaltrust.org/what-we-do/artcan/map/>. Under Campus Comparisons search your school, then click “Download Data” to view campus demographics.

% Economically Disadvantaged	
% At Risk	
% American Indian or Alaska Native	
% Asian American	
% Black or African American	
% Hispanic or Latino	
% Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	
% White or Caucasian	
% Other	

*** 13. Does your arts department or program have a booster club?**

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure

*** 14. Does your school provide a budget for field trips/artist visits?**

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Unsure

* 15. If you have a teaching assignment program budget, enter that amount in a numerical response.

* 16. Has your principal approved the proposed Arts Inspire Grant program?

☐ Yes

☐ No

* 17. Title of Arts Inspire Grant Experience (please be specific)

* 18. Please select the type of experience you are applying for

☐ Arts field trip

☐ Artist visit to the school's campus

* 19. Describe the arts experience you are applying for. Provide details about the artist, professional arts venue, or performance group, their credentials, and what their performance or presentation will include. (50-100 words)

* 20. Arts Inspire Event Details

Date

Location

* 21. How will this grant support your efforts to increase arts access for your students and campus community? (50-100 words)

* 22. Why is this grant necessary in order to provide this arts experience for your students? (50-100 words)

23. If applicable, please describe any unusual adversity your campus community is currently facing.

* 24. Which group of students will experience the Arts Access program? Please include an answer for each of the questions below.

Grade Level

Arts Discipline

Specialized
Student Group (i.e.
Advanced Tech
Theatre, Art Club,
Honors Choir)

* 25. How many students do you expect to participate in the grant experience?

* 26. Total Cost of the Arts Experience (please include funding you might have from your school or other fundraising sources)

* 27. Total Funds Requested from the Texas Cultural Trust (a numerical value that cannot exceed \$1,000.00)

* 28. Budget Plan. List the total income and expenses for this arts experience. In the following question, you will complete an itemized budget form.

Income Total
(excluding the
Texas Cultural
Trust Grant)

Expenses Total

* 29. Upload the budget plan for the arts experience. Please use the fillable budget plan template provided by the Trust to create a detailed line item budget. Include all income and expenses required for the arts experience (transportation fees, admission fees, honorariums, etc.). Include your name and school name in the file name. Download the [budget plan form here](#).

(You can download an [example budget here](#) as a reference.)

Choose File

Choose File

No file chosen

* 30. Upload the project timeline for the arts experience. Please use the fillable timeline template provided by the Trust, be specific, and include planning/coordination details. Include your name and school name in the file name. Download the [timeline template here](#).

Choose File

Choose File

No file chosen

* 31. I certify that my school qualifies as a Title 1 campus and therefore is eligible for this grant.

☐ Yes

☐ No

* 32. The Texas Cultural Trust Arts Inspire Grant is designed to support Title 1 schools as they provide students with an exceptional arts experience. By providing my digital signature below, I affirm my understanding that if I do not successfully host the proposed arts experience, I will be required to return all or a portion of the grant amount received to the Texas Cultural Trust.

In addition, I will provide photos of the arts experience and one page report on the impact this grant has provided upon completion of the one year grant cycle. I authorize the Texas Cultural Trust to use all images, name, and statement for promotional purposes.

Please upload your signature here.

Choose File

Choose File

No file chosen

* 33. By clicking yes below, I acknowledge that I have added apatrick@txculturaltrust.org to my email contacts, so that emails received from the Texas Cultural Trust regarding my application are not sent to my Spam, Trash, or Junk folder.

☐ Yes

Arts Access
2026-2027 Arts Inspire Grant Application Example Budget

Arts Inspire Grant Experience Budget Plan				
Type of Expense	Cost per unit	Units	Total Cost	Description of line item/ use
Ex: Transportation costs	\$200	4	\$800	four buses for transportation to theater for 200 students
Ex: Admission Costs	\$5	200	\$1,000	admission tickets to the Symphony for 200 students
Ex: Food	\$5	2	\$10	two 40 count cases of water for use during field trip
TOTAL COST:			\$1,810	
TOTAL GRANT REQUEST:			\$1,000	

Income Source			Income Amount	Description of line item/ use
Ex: Booster Club			\$410	We have \$410 raised and dedicated to this trip
Ex: Campus provided Field Trip Budget			\$400	The campus provides \$400 per year for field trips
Ex: Texas Cultural Trust Grant			\$1,000	We are asking the Texas Cultural Trust to cover the remaining cost for this trip, totalling \$1,000
TOTAL INCOME:			\$1,810	



Arts Access

2026-2027 Arts Inspire Grant Application Timeline

Arts Inspire Grant Experience Timeline	
Campus Name	
Arts Experience Title	
Arts Experience Date	
Estimated Number of Students Participating	
Grade Levels Participating	

[illegible]

Day of Plan/ Timeline for Arts Inspire Grant Experience	
Time	Description/Notes

Additional Comments or Details