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K-12 students participating in arts classes.



97

Arts courses offered in middle/high schools.



1.100 +

Student performances per year.

Artfully Engaging Students in a Well-Rounded Education

ACADEMICS ARE IMPORTANT, BUT SO ARE THE CREATIVE SKILLS THAT LEAD TO TRULY FULFILLED LIVES.

Guilford County Schools believes that students should have both to be truly prepared for success in life. That's why each of our schools offers a wide variety of instruction in arts and music that engages student interests, develops their talents, builds their confidence and brings them joy. In fact, the Education Commission of the States recently reported that arts education is key to a student's success in the workplace and beyond.

GCS is the largest arts provider in the county, offering visual and performing arts opportunities for more than 73,000 students. In-classroom, after-school and summer programs—all are designed to ignite students' creativity, stoke their passion and unleash their talent in a setting that allows them to explore and find themselves through the arts. These opportunities have led GCS students and teachers to receive awards and recognitions on the state, national and international level.

We're committed to providing as many visual and performing arts opportunities to our students as possible. At GCS, you'll find:

- 325 arts educators
- 57,379 K-12 students participating in arts classes
- 97 arts courses in middle/high schools
- 3,668 students taking honors arts courses
- 487 students taking AP/IB arts courses
- 1,100+ student performances per year
- 52 arts-based community partnerships