

Pinellas County School Board

Proclamation

In Recognition of

YOUTH ART MONTH

Whereas, art education contributes powerful educational benefits to all Elementary and Secondary students including the following:

- Art education develops students' creative problem-solving and critical thinking abilities;
- Art education teaches sensitivity to beauty, order, and other expressive qualities;
- Art education gives understanding of multicultural values and beliefs;
- Art education reinforces and brings to life what students learn in other subjects;
- Art education interrelates student learning in art production, art history, art criticism, and aesthetics; and

Whereas, these benefits of art education form the basis of "World Class Standards" developed by the U.S. Department of Education and the National Endowment for the Arts; and

Whereas, our national leaders have acknowledged the necessity of including art experiences in all students' education;

Whereas, support should be given to art teachers as they attempt to strengthen art education in their schools and communities.

Therefore, be it resolved, that the School Board of Pinellas County does hereby proclaim March 2016 as YOUTH ART MONTH.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Chairperson

Attest: _____
Superintendent