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The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) proudly supports **MI Creative Potential**, a collective impact initiative to increase access to quality arts education for Michigan's students through data collection, regional networks, and a statewide arts education agenda.

This initiative includes the acquisition of an arts education data platform to inform a statewide arts action agenda and regional planning while connecting the people who can turn the data into growth for **all of Michigan's students**. MDE, the [Michigan Arts and Culture Council](#), and the [Michigan Education Association](#) serve as collaborators in this work, led by the [Michigan Arts Education Instruction and Assessment project \(MAEIA\)](#).

MI Creative Potential will advance equitable access to quality arts programming for Michigan's students using [Parliament Data's Artlook platform](#) and ten Michigan arts education regional networks. The central tenet of the initiative is to support the whole child as we ensure a well-rounded education for every student in our state. This initiative supports each of the eight goals of [Michigan's Strategic Education Plan](#) with emphasis on goals three, five, and eight.

The output of this work will foster public and private sector collaboration, increase student arts experiences, tailor support through the development and evaluation of regional and district continuous improvement plans (MICIP), and develop a unified vision and action agenda for statewide arts education partners.

The outcomes will be data-driven growth for students, communities, and the state, long-term trust and collaboration between partners, sustained communication between arts stakeholders, and increased student access to quality arts programming in schools and communities.

We recognize the arts are a vital component of a well-rounded education that can be holistically supported by state, federal, and philanthropic partners. Together, we can advance creativity in education to meet and exceed our collective creative potential.

Sincerely,

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