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Goals

The primary goals of the *MPS Partnership for the Arts* are to:

- Expand arts-related experiences for MPS children, youth, and adults accompanying children in activities.
- Increase the number of enriching activities that connect the arts to academic learning.
- Strengthen existing and establish new community partnerships that motivate students to higher levels of academic and artistic achievement.
- Increase resources and support for arts education in the schools and community.

The *MPS Partnership for the Arts* - Criteria

- The Milwaukee Board of School Directors provided \$1 million in public funds from the Extension Fund to support arts education activities for the 2006-07 school year and summer 2007.
- Funds will only be released when a dollar-for-dollar resource match is received from outside MPS to support a project or activity.
- The Extension Fund dollars may only be used to fund arts-related activities outside of the regular school day, i.e., before and after-school programs, Saturday and summer programs, and evening activities.
- Matching resources may be used to fund arts-related activities during the regular school day and may include in-kind services. Examples of in-kind services include: art supplies for arts activity, musical instruments, instructors' time, supervision of activity by partner support staff, non-MPS facility building rental, staff training, and transportation. Matching resource contributions must be a minimum of \$3,000.
- Extension fund resources must be accessible to community arts groups providing services to Milwaukee's children, youth, and adults accompanying children in arts-related activities.

2006-2007 Summary

- Received 58 proposals totaling \$1,700,108
- After careful review, 41 projects were approved totaling \$965,600.
- Involves 35 lead community arts partners and dozens of individual artists
- Approximately 19,000 students are being served in 170 schools and citywide
- 6 of the projects were over \$50,000 and required the Board's approval. The School Board approved these projects at the February 1, 2007 meeting.
- 13 projects are being conducted during the spring semester 2007
- 12 projects will be held during the summer 2007
- 16 projects are being implemented both during the spring and summer 2007
- All of the approved projects had documented matching resources.
- 22 of the 41 approved projects or 54% had documented cash matches that were awarded by foundations or individuals to the partner arts organization to support the projects. Cash matches totaled \$535,522.