



TAPESTRY CHARTER SCHOOL

**ARTS
VISION STATEMENT**

Tapestry Charter School values all students as artists and empowers them within an environment that inspires self discovery, builds community, embraces diverse perspectives, and celebrates artistic vision.

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K-4 ARTS MISSION STATEMENT



Through engagement of all students in the exploration of dance, music, and visual art, students develop their own unique styles in pursuit of joy, creativity, and self-discovered knowledge in a safe environment for creating and sharing their ideas and work.



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CORE VALUES

- The arts are essential to the human experience and core to the development and education of all children.
 - The arts are inclusive of all learners and all students deserve equal access to quality arts education in an environment that celebrates creativity and connects learning to community and culture.
 - The arts build a diverse community honoring multiple perspectives and individuality.
 - The arts enrich lives and provide context to the world, to the way we live, and give shape and meaning to complex ideas and feelings.
 - The arts have the power to change lives.
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K-4 ARTS



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The K-4 arts program is built on the exploration of Dance, Music, and Visual Arts based on core values shared by the K-4 arts team and school leadership. The arts are core to the instructional model of Tapestry's lower school and are embedded in the school culture, supported by resources integral to implementing and sustaining quality arts learning and engagement for all students and stakeholders.

The arts curricula follow the New York State Standards for the Arts with attention given to incorporate national trends in the arts and education to support inclusivity and to reflect diverse perspectives, cultures, and communities. All students receive 3 hours of the arts weekly throughout the school year allowing for continuity, scaffolded learning, and opportunities to experience how the arts intersect and connect to learning in other disciplines and the world around them. Throughout the school year, and throughout the K-4 arts program, families and caregivers have opportunities to see their children in action in art, dance, and music, through open classes, community meetings, presentations, performances, and K-4 arts newsletters highlighting student learning.

Through engagement in the arts, students are provided pathways to interact, connect, and build community while building confidence, skills, knowledge, creative problem solving, critical thinking, self discovery, and most importantly, the joy of creating and sharing their work and unique artistic voices. They experience first hand how their arts learning and skills are transferable to other facets of education and how the arts provide context for understanding and responding to diverse perspectives and the world around them.

The K-4 Arts Program provides a safe and nurturing environment for students to discover their artistic voices as artists, dancers, and musicians with perspectives, style, and energy unique to themselves and are valued in the school culture and community. They acquire foundational knowledge, skills, and curiosity to further their participation and have a lifelong connection to the arts.

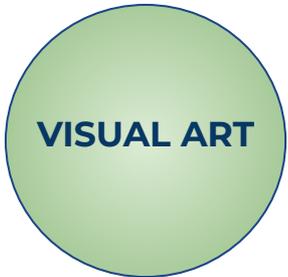
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PROGRAM PURPOSE



- Students actively engage in learning in and through the arts and experience the joy of celebrating learning together.
 - Students explore, develop, and build skills within each arts discipline that foster connections and application in other disciplines and realms.
 - Providing all K-4 students with quality arts learning and experiences to develop knowledge, skills, confidence, and curiosity to continue learning and participating in the arts throughout their individual journeys, offering them the arts as a vehicle for understanding the world and belonging.
 - Bringing students together through pathways to interact, collaborate, connect, and build community, providing context for understanding and experiencing diverse cultures and perspectives.
 - Engagement of all stakeholders, first and foremost our Tapestry families.
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ALL K-4 STUDENTS LEARN IN AND THROUGH THE ARTS TO...

- Experience the joy of celebrating learning together.
- Explore, develop, and build skills within each arts discipline fostering connections and applications in other educational disciplines.
- Nurture and empower individuality in a safe and supportive environment.
- Build connectedness and community within the school culture and beyond.
- Bring students together through pathways to interact, collaborate, connect, build community, and provide context for understanding and experiencing diverse cultures and perspectives.
- Provide all K-4 students with quality arts learning and experiences to develop knowledge, skills, confidence, and curiosity to continue growth. Offering them the arts as a vehicle for understanding the world and belonging.
- Engage all stakeholders, first and foremost, our Tapestry families.