

Ensuring the Arts for
ANY GIVEN CHILD
 The Kennedy Center

HARRISONBURG, VA

HARRISONBURG CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
 Students K-8—3,664
 Teachers serving Pre-K-8—450
 Schools serving K-8—7

VISION

The vision of the Harrisonburg *Any Given Child* Community Arts Team is for all K-8 students to have access to comprehensive arts education that supports and encourages students to creatively connect and explore the value, relevance, and impact of the arts. By ensuring the arts of *Any Given Child*, students from Harrisonburg City Public Schools will graduate fully engaged in all aspects of learning.



GOALS FOR ARTS EDUCATION

The Community Arts Team set the following long-term goals for arts education in Harrisonburg:

- Develop and increase live visual and performing arts experiences for all Harrisonburg City Public School Pre-K-8 students.
- Build and provide training in arts integration/creative artistic strategies for Pre-K-8 teachers and community artists in Harrisonburg.
- Develop and increase “arts for arts sake” programming in Harrisonburg City Public Schools.



OUTCOMES

- More than 3,000 students at six Harrisonburg City schools engaged in the World Beat Workshop during January, February, and March 2016 thanks to funding from *Any Given Child* Harrisonburg and a grant from the Virginia Commission for the Arts.
- *Any Given Child* Harrisonburg worked in conjunction with the Forbes Center for the Performing Arts at James Madison University and an Anonymous Fund of the Community Foundation of Harrisonburg and Rockingham county to bring every sixth grade student at two middle schools to a performance by the Sonos Handbell Ensemble.
- *Any Given Child* Harrisonburg collaborated with local and state arts organizations to provide at least one live arts experience to all Pre-K through eighth grade students in the district during the 2015-2016 school year.

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