

Ensuring the Arts for
ANY GIVEN CHILD[®]
 The Kennedy Center

SPRINGFIELD, MO

SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Students K-8—17,559

Teachers serving K-8—1,261

Schools serving K-8—47

VISION

To ensure that all children in the community are guaranteed a rich and full arts education.

GOALS FOR ARTS EDUCATION

The Community Arts Team set the following long-term goals for arts education in Springfield.

- Improve coordination of arts organizations' offerings to Springfield Public Schools
- Sustain ongoing grade-level programming provided by Springfield Public Schools, Springfield Ballet, Drury University Fine Arts, Springfield Little Theatre, Springfield Symphony, Missouri State University, and Springfield Art Museum
- Maintain certified teaching staff members in music and visual arts in all grades, district-wide
- Expand student access for theater/dance through the Missouri State University partnership
- Partner with Springfield Public Schools to provide arts-related professional development for classroom teachers, fine arts specialists, and teaching artists
- Develop a comprehensive, community-based communications effort for **Any Given Child** Springfield
- Identify additional sources of transportation funds for student arts-related field trips, quality visual and performing arts learning experiences, and art-making materials purchases



OUTCOMES

- Multiple partners, including Missouri State University and the Springfield Regional Opera, have collaborated with **Any Given Child** Springfield to provide performances and programming for Springfield Public Schools students.
- In January 2016, a new community partnership called Play It Forward was developed to provide refurbished instruments for students in grades 5-8 during the 2016-2017 school year.
- A Springfield **Any Given Child** Action Team sub-committee formed during school year 2014-2015. The sub-committee's goals include continuing the expansion of arts programming and developing a comprehensive, community-based Communications Plan.
- Financial support was provided through a private donor to support the "My Studio to GO" program for Springfield Public Schools students in Grades 2 and 6 during 2014 and 2015.
- In September 2013, **Any Given Child** Springfield announced the program's implementation to the community through a partnership luncheon hosted by the Springfield Regional Chamber of Commerce, the Foundation for Springfield Public Schools, the Springfield Arts Collaborative, and the Community Foundation of the Ozarks. Additionally, a Springfield Public Schools District Representative for the program was announced.

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