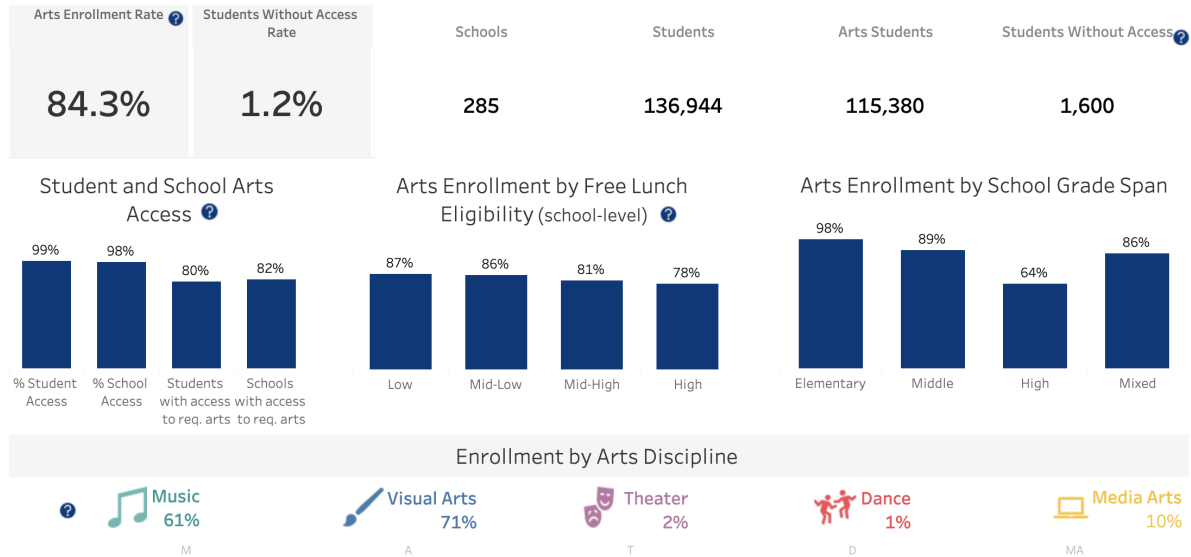


Rhode Island Arts Education Data Dashboard

Key Highlights

2021-22 School Year

Arts Enrollment Highlights



- Enrollment rates in arts courses are lowest at the high school level (64%), despite the fact that Rhode Island regulations are a lever to compel participation at this grade span.
- While access may be high, student enrollments are 71% or lower in all 5 artistic disciplines, with 3 disciplines being 10% or lower.
 - 61% of students are enrolled in Music courses.
 - 71% of students are enrolled in Visual Arts courses.
 - 2% of students are enrolled in Theatre courses.
 - 1% of students are enrolled in Dance courses.
 - 10% of students are enrolled in Media Arts courses.
- Student arts enrollment is lowest at schools with a high percentage of Free and Reduced Price Lunch (FRPL). High FRPL schools enroll 78% of students in the arts; while low FRPL schools enroll 87% of students. Students in low FRPL schools are:
 - Seven times more likely to receive instruction in dance
 - Five more likely to receive instruction in media arts
 - Three times more likely to receive instruction in theatre
 - 1.9 times more likely to receive instruction in music
 - 1.7 times more likely to receive instruction in visual art

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Arts Access Highlights

- The Rhode Island Basic Education Program (BEP) guarantees all RI public school students have access to high-quality arts education:
 - In elementary and middle school, classes in at least visual arts and design and music shall be available for each student in each grade.
 - In high school, students shall be provided with the opportunity to do multiple levels of coursework in visual arts and design in both two and three dimensions and in at least one performing arts discipline.
 - A program of study shall exist for all secondary students to enable them to demonstrate proficiency in at least one art form.
- The 2021-2022 RI Arts Education Data Dashboard shows that:
 - **30% of RI public schools do not provide access** to the minimum arts access established in the BEP.
 - 18% of schools with high FRPL do not provide any arts access, and over 40% do not provide the minimum required by the BEP.
 - In contrast, over 99% of schools with low free/reduced-price lunch rates provide arts access and 87% provide the minimum required by the BEP.
- A path for change:
 - Since 2018, 30% more RI schools and students have access to at least one arts discipline.
 - However, 4.8% fewer students have access to the arts required by the BEP. In Providence County, 9% fewer students have the access to the arts the BEP guarantees them now than in 2017.
 - Diversifying arts offerings will enable schools to adhere to the BEP while increasing student choice and engagement.

Enrollment Rate by County 81% — 93%



Enrollment Rate by County and Discipline

Each circle is a county

