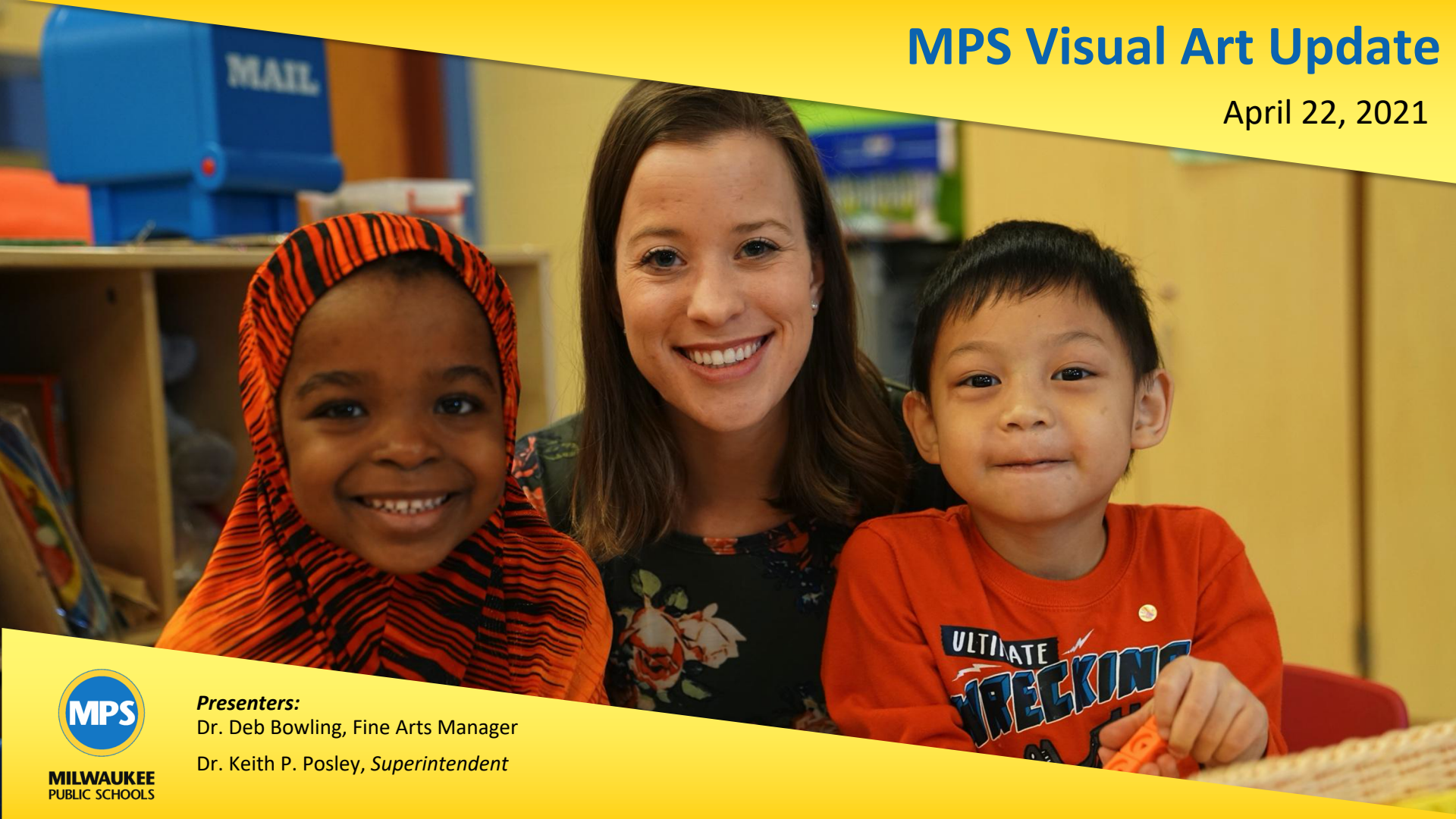


MPS Visual Art Update

April 22, 2021



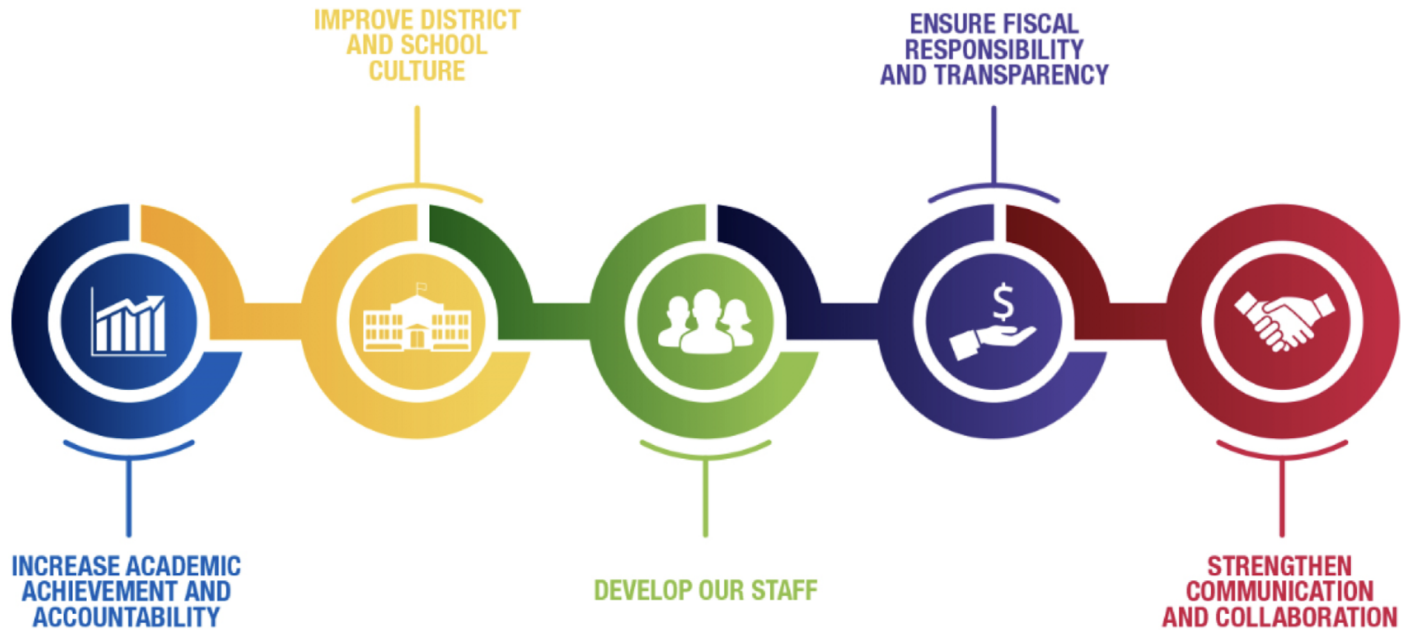
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Five Priorities for Success



Work Completed

- In **2020-21**, visual art increased to 1.0 FTE in 13 schools.
 - Regional breakdown- 6 Northwest, 5 Central, 1 East, 1 Southwest
 - Approximately 6,500 children have access to a full time certified visual art educator.
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- In **2021-22**, 22 schools will have increased FTE in visual art
 - Regional breakdown- 5 Northwest, 3 Central, 6 East, 5 Southwest, 3 High School
 - Approximately 8800 more children will have increased access to a certified visual art educator.



Work Underway

- PRO Learning from the Art of Education purchased as a professional development online resource.
- FLEX Learning from the Art of Education purchased as a curricular resource for visual arts educators.
- Grade band professional learning committees created with paid professional development and collaborative work time.
- K-8 standards-aligned visual art pacing guide to be completed by June 2021.
- Grades 6-8 specialized courses to be reviewed and revised summer 21.

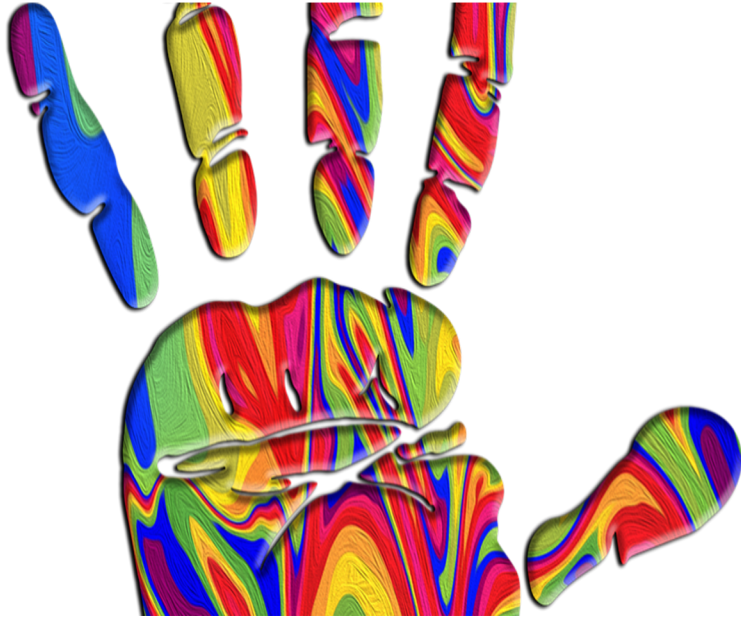


Art Supplies and Support

- **Pandemic Supplies:** All visual art teachers provided access to district purchased art supplies for student home use during virtual learning.
- 1 FTE visual art support teacher to support new MPS K-8 educators.
- 0.5 FTE visual art support teacher to support new MPS 6-12 educators.
- Monthly professional development offered throughout the school year, recorded and on the learning management system.



For the Fall



EQUITY in the Arts

- Supply and support new visual art teachers who will be in their classrooms for the first time.
- Create a database of visual art equipment across the district to ensure equity and access.
- Create common syllabi for high school courses to increase equity of content and instruction across the district.

Next Steps



- Year three visual art expansion to increase visual art FTE by approximately 12 FTEs.
- Year four visual art expansion to increase remaining visual art FTEs at schools and add additional fine arts (dance, theater) to schools with an arts designation.
- Secure additional funding: growing programs means increased need for supplies, repair, equipment, and support personnel.

Thank you.

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