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Q3 Want us to tag you on social media? Please share your @

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Q4 Which of these arts did you have as part of your own K-12 education?

- Dance,**
 - Music,**
 - Theatre,**
 - Visual Arts**
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Q5 How did learning in the arts impact your education and life after high school?

Arts education provides an opportunity for self-expression unparalleled in other coursework. It also provides a deep appreciation for the work of others, our cultural heritage, and our connected to others around the world and throughout history.

Q6 How would you describe the current status of arts education for Elementary students in your district? (The arts are a core subject in our state definition of basic education and in federal law.)

Dance	Not available
Media Arts	Not available
Music	Adequate
Theatre	Not available
Visual Arts	Not available

Q7 How would you describe the current status of arts education for Middle School students in your district?

Dance	Not available
Media Arts	Not available
Music	Available
Theatre	Needs Improvement
Visual Arts	Needs Improvement

Q8 How would you describe the current status of arts education for High School students in your district? (Two arts credits are required for graduation.)

Dance	Adequate
Media Arts	Adequate
Music	Robust
Theatre	Robust
Visual Arts	Available

Q9 Research has shown that arts education increases student engagement, helps close opportunity gaps, and reduces dropout rates, yet a recent study in King County shows that race and income are barriers to access to the arts. How do you see yourself addressing fair access in your district?

I would search for ways fund and to bring visual arts into all of our elementary schools and middle schools. There are definite inequities across the district.

Q10 If elected, which of these strategies would you consider to support arts education in your district?

Research current arts program and assess needs at district buildings

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Work for a budget to financially support arts instruction at all schools

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Support professional development for classroom teachers

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Create a local arts education task-force

Develop or update a district level arts plan.

Expand district-wide data collection for tracking and accountability

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Support cultural access legislation

Other (please specify):

At this point, we need to investigate and understand exactly why arts education isn't being promoted district-wide at all of our schools. Then we need to find ways to get each school involved in a variety of arts education programs.

Q11 If elected, would you like Arts, Culture & Education updates from ArtsEd Washington?

Yes, and please send me the studies referenced in the survey
