



Halifax

Regional Centre for Education

**Supplementary Education
Funding Agreement**

ANNUAL REPORT

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1. INTRODUCTION

The Halifax Regional Centre for Education (HRCE) shares a geographic boundary with the Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM). HRCE operates 137 schools serving more than 59,000 students and employs approximately 10,000 people.

HRCE and HRM share the common goal of creating a healthy, sustainable, viable and well-educated community. This shared vision of excellence provides a framework for the annual supplementary education funding contributed to by the residents of HRM. Supplementary funding has a long history dating back prior to the amalgamation of Bedford, Dartmouth, Halifax, and Halifax County into the HRM in 1996.

Supplementary education funding supports fine arts programming, library support specialists, social workers, and other program and service enhancements for students in communities throughout the municipality.

The current five-year agreement between HRM and HRCE has been extended until March 31, 2025. HRCE submits an annual report and budget to HRM outlining how and where supplementary funding will be allocated according to the agreement's terms.

The contents of this report, as defined in sections 8 and 9 of the agreement, include:

8. PROGRAM OUTCOMES

8.1 *Each year of the Term, the Program shall be evaluated according to the following measurable outcomes:*

- (a) *The number of students by grade level and Family of Schools who have the opportunity to receive enhanced fine arts programming in their classes; (see page 9)*
- (b) *The enrolment in optional fine arts programs by grade, age and Family of Schools; (see pages 9-17)*
- (c) *The frequency, range and locations of fine arts performances; (see pages 18-19)*
- (d) *The breadth of fine arts programming available across HRM; (see pages 20-21)*

- (e) *The number of students by grade level and Family of Schools who have the opportunity to receive an identifiable educational enhancement in their school. (see page 9-17)*

9. ANNUAL REPORTING

- 9.1 *HRCE shall provide an annual report to HRM of the expenditure of the Funding (the "**Annual Report**"), which shall be provided to HRM within 90 days of the end of the fiscal year **beginning in 2021**.*
- 9.2 *The Annual Report shall include the following measures:*
 - (a) *a summary of the Program supported by the Funding for the applicable school year.*
 - (b) *a description of the scope of the Program supported by the Funding, as described in Section 8 of this Agreement; and*
 - (c) *a budget update, including allocation for the current year and multi-year projection.*

The HRCE thanks Halifax Regional Council for their continued stewardship of supplementary education funding.

2. SUMMARY OF PROGRAMS

HRCE allocates supplementary education funding into the categories of Halifax Regional Arts (HRA) and other enhancements.

During the 2023-24 school year, HRA supported and enhanced fine arts in HRCE through a broad range of learning experiences in dance, drama, music, and visual arts. Goals for programming included meeting the needs of our diverse populations, understanding our diverse cultural and historical contexts, and exploring new and innovative ways to bring fine arts to the youngest residents of HRM.

All students in HRCE from Grades Primary-12 (P-12) had fine arts enhancements available to them throughout the 2023-24 school year. These took a wide variety of forms, including:

Drama/Dance

- 8.5 Family of Schools Fine Arts Specialists who worked with students from Grades P-12
- 5 Regional Fine Arts Specialists who focus on African Nova Scotia and Mi'kmaq/Aboriginal cultures worked with students from P-12
- Special guest performers who visited schools in person and virtually
- 21 school shows for 70 performances involving 600 students. This included:
 - Family of Schools Specialist support
 - Tech support
 - Choreographers
 - Vocal coaches
 - Musical directors
 - Set construction
 - Producers
 - Show rights and royalties
 - Costume support
 - Materials
 - Venue support
 - Equipment support
- 15 Improv Teams for more than 50 hours of rehearsal and performance time for 160 students. Support included:
 - Coaching
 - Uniforms
 - Tournament support
 - Club involvement
- Funding for access to performances including:
 - Partnerships with performance organizations
 - Partnerships with venues
 - Tickets
 - Transportation

- Food support
- Partnerships with the following Performing Arts Organizations:
 - Eastern Front Theatre
 - Neptune Theatre
 - Mermaid Theatre
 - Perform
 - Theatre Nova Scotia
 - Spontaneity Theatre
 - Halifax Theatre for Young People
- Participation in Drama Fest with Theatre Nova Scotia
- Opportunities to develop, perform, and present work
- Drama and dance workshops and performances

Music

- Ensembles including:
 - Choirs
 - Bands (including Orff Ensembles)
 - Strings
 - Orchestral
 - Fiddle
 - Guitar
 - Ukulele
- Regular rehearsals and performances
- Music clinicians and mentors who worked with students and their teachers
- Musical instruments
- Books and materials
- Special guest artists and performing groups
- Travel to performances

Visual Arts

- 12.5 Family of Schools Fine Arts Specialists who worked with students from Grades P-12
- Access to three Pottery and Fusion Glass Labs:
 - St. Catherine's Elementary
 - Rocky Lake Junior High
 - Cole Harbour District High School

- First-ever HRA Artfest in partnership with NSCAD, bringing high level visual arts students from 10 HRCE high schools together for a full day of workshops and a keynote at NSCAD University
- Regional Fine Arts Specialists who focus on African Nova Scotia and Mi'kmaq/Aboriginal cultures worked with students from Grades P-12
- Funding for fine arts resources for schools in need
- Workshops
- Enhancement of schools with student-created, HRA-facilitated murals and fine arts installations

Other and General

- Music Therapy for students with special needs
- Lending and provision of instruments, equipment, and materials
- Fine Arts Specialist support for school and regional activities
- Food and transportation support for students
- Tech Program involving:
 - Student training
 - Support for school performances
 - Tech outreach to schools
- Online offerings including:
 - A variety of courses and workshops
 - Resources for teachers and student-led activities

This year, HRA continued to expand programming. Two new Family of Schools Fine Arts Specialists were added to support larger school communities. One position, focusing on visual arts, was shared between the JL Ilsley and Lockview Families of Schools. As well, a position focusing on drama and dance covered Woodlawn High, Dartmouth High, and for the first time, programming was added officially to BFEC. A Tech Program was continued for student training and hands-on production work. A Tech Support position was added to be available to schools in assessing, assisting, and bolstering existing tech equipment in schools, and supporting school productions in HRCE. A program was expanded and refined to support musicals and shows in schools, with funding, materials, and staff. Access to a choral clinician was also increased.

A Music Therapy program for students with special needs was provided in both virtual and in-person sessions for 12 Families of Schools. In-person sessions were the primary form of delivery, but in response to different circumstances throughout the year, virtual synchronous and asynchronous lessons were made available so that students with special needs could access music therapy support.

HRA also provided financial support to special projects and initiatives that would otherwise be unattainable for many school communities. All expenses were paid for these experiences for students. Examples include:

- A production of Macbeth with Shakespeare by the Sea involving students from 10 HRCE schools that performed at the Junior High School Drama Festival and the High School Drama Festival. Two daytime matinees for community schools and one evening performance were also held.
- Dramafest access for 15 HRM schools with performances, keynote speakers, workshops, Q&As, and talkbacks with cast and crew. HRA paid for school registration fees and helped to lower the cost for participating students at high schools for individual registration fees. More than 200 HRCE students participated in 15 hours of daytime programming, and many returned for evening performances and events.
- 48 evening Pottery and Glass Fusion Classes for HRCE students and supporters were held at Rocky Lake Junior High and Cole Harbour District High.
- 55 classrooms throughout HRCE were provided with virtual access to Mermaid Theatre. This included over 40 videos on puppetry and performances as well as Duolingo Mermaid TV Series on Mi'kmaq, French, Gaelic, and African Nova Scotian culture and language.
- HRA sponsored 21 Neptune Theatre Touring Company performances at schools across HRM.
- Newcomers – Halifax Theatre for Young People's play that premiered at Pier 21 toured seven HRCE schools through funding from HRA.
- Eastern Front Theatre – Supported Eastern Front Theatre experiences for 100 HRCE students to attend a performance at the Stages Festival.
- Bboyizm, the nationally recognized dance troupe, performed at Woodlawn High for their African Heritage assembly and toured Dancers to Woodlawn, Millwood and Citadel High School Dance 11 workshops.
- African Nova Scotian Fine Arts Specialist Cindy Cain taught traditional stepping routines, also known as Stomp, to all HRCE Dance 11 classes and brought the first semester classes together to perform.
- HRA hosted the first-ever HRCE-wide Black Excellence Assembly featuring Maestro Fresh Wes, student performances, and art from across HRCE. 480 students from 26 different schools came with their African Nova Scotian Student Support Workers.
- Supported 15 schools with fees, coaching, and production support in the Canadian Improv Games, providing students with more than 40 hours of coaching each and five nights of performance opportunities. This represents 50 hours of rehearsal and performance time each for 180 students. HRA also helped to support the team going to Nationals representing Nova Scotia with accommodations, funding, and staffing.
- Unity Charity programming arranged by HRA included spoken word poetry, hip hop dance, and beat making workshops in 11 different schools for 66 workshops involving more than 1,000 HRCE students.
- Supported and facilitated the Young Film-makers Collective at J.L. Ilesley High School.
- Provided technical support, equipment, and guidance to schools for 21 school productions. This included 70 performances involving more than 600 students and more than 1,000 hours of rehearsal and performance time.
- Provided resources and support to school theatrical productions in the areas of set design,

set construction, choreography, and stage management for 21 theatrical productions in elementary, junior, and senior high.

- Provided transportation for students to attend performances of the Nutcracker.
- Provided transportation for students to attend performances at Neptune Theatre.
- Provided funds for local artists to do workshops and performances.
- Provided support for schools in creating school wide murals in support of Indigenous culture.
- Provided sound and lighting for holiday and spring concerts in schools across HRM.
- Organized and supported a series of Hip Hop Dance and Spoken Word workshops in seven schools in the HRCE.
- Provided support for schools in creating school wide murals in support of Indigenous culture.
- Provided virtual dance opportunities for more than 1000 students during International Dance Day.

In the category of Other Enhancements, all schools in HRM benefited from library support staff during the 2023-24 school year. In addition, Supplementary Funding provided social workers to support HRM students.

3. SCOPE OF FINE ARTS PROGRAMS

In 2023-24, **all students in HRM** had the opportunity to receive enhanced fine arts programming in their classes and in their schools.

3.1 Total Enrolment in Optional Fine Arts Programs by Family of Schools (FOS)

2023-24

FOS	Year Long	Short Term Programs			TOTAL
	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	
Auburn Drive	676	7404	3736	7160	18976
Bay View	513	4118	34365	11362	50358
BFEC	0	0	60	0	60
Charles P. Allen	1656	4764	13552	21340	41312
Citadel	3636	7594	22573	23876	57679
Cole Harbour District	384	6764	13637	7454	28239
Dartmouth	1636	15548	14700	6792	38676
Eastern Shore	404	1464	13904	1772	17544
Halifax West	2176	3688	20996	17108	43968
Island View	672	14575	12421	4230	31898
J.L. Ilsley	1236	3792	7280	14776	27084
Lockview	708	756	72664	3472	77600
Marine Drive Academy	56	280	0	1144	1480
Millwood	240	7248	2816	16064	26368
Musquodoboit Rural	448	84	6216	0	6748
Sackville	259	5123	2452	7591	15425
West Bedford	38	17	207	6567	6829
Woodlawn	1522	15450	15496	16100	48568
TOTAL	16260	98669	257075	166808	538812

3.2 Enrolment in Optional Fine Arts Programs by Grade in each Family of Schools

Auburn Drive					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	388	0	328	716
Grade 1	0	184	0	200	384
Grade 2	0	356	0	428	784
Grade 3	0	180	200	704	1084
Grade 4	236	192	268	908	1604
Grade 5	164	324	464	592	1544
Grade 6	124	3524	348	1260	5256
Grade 7	44	764	236	636	1680
Grade 8	16	660	596	1440	2712
Grade 9	28	536	908	172	1644
Grade 10	24	200	208	280	712
Grade 11	28	88	236	100	452
Grade 12	12	8	272	112	404
TOTAL	676	7404	3736	7160	18976

Bay View					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	1920	1148	316	3384
Grade 1	0	0	2044	1404	3448
Grade 2	0	0	1604	740	2344
Grade 3	0	280	688	2508	3476
Grade 4	228	344	1364	980	2916
Grade 5	108	256	2172	1212	3748
Grade 6	20	652	2836	236	3744
Grade 7	56	196	1836	1032	3120
Grade 8	48	140	352	96	636
Grade 9	8	12	104	1464	1588
Grade 10	18	162	7572	372	8124
Grade 11	0	138	8283	606	9027
Grade 12	27	18	4362	396	4803
TOTAL	513	4118	34365	11362	50358

BFEC					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	0	0	0	0
Grade 1	0	0	0	0	0
Grade 2	0	0	0	0	0
Grade 3	0	0	0	0	0
Grade 4	0	0	0	0	0
Grade 5	0	0	0	0	0
Grade 6	0	0	0	0	0
Grade 7	0	0	0	0	0
Grade 8	0	0	0	0	0
Grade 9	0	0	0	0	0
Grade 10	0	0	0	0	0
Grade 11	0	0	0	0	0
Grade 12	0	0	60	0	60
TOTAL	0	0	60	0	60

Charles P. Allen					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	420	716	1096	2232
Grade 1	0	52	620	1028	1700
Grade 2	0	148	900	1304	2352
Grade 3	0	508	1292	1716	3516
Grade 4	612	780	1312	6868	9572
Grade 5	460	104	1488	2252	4304
Grade 6	264	208	2008	2720	5200
Grade 7	92	44	1140	1148	2424
Grade 8	56	800	1604	1796	4256
Grade 9	56	104	1144	764	2068
Grade 10	48	792	352	236	1428
Grade 11	44	580	348	208	1180
Grade 12	24	224	628	204	1080
TOTAL	1656	4764	13552	21340	41312

Citadel					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	0	1324	1888	3212
Grade 1	0	28	1260	2572	3860
Grade 2	0	92	1528	2724	4344
Grade 3	0	1204	1676	2624	5504
Grade 4	1328	2488	1888	3260	8964
Grade 5	756	776	2296	2572	6400
Grade 6	480	1336	3040	3348	8204
Grade 7	372	356	2964	2188	5880
Grade 8	268	184	2556	1472	4480
Grade 9	144	152	2604	1120	4020
Grade 10	147	309	501	24	981
Grade 11	54	477	669	33	1233
Grade 12	87	192	267	51	597
TOTAL	3636	7594	22573	23876	57679

Cole Harbour District					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	172	952	136	1260
Grade 1	0	172	812	264	1248
Grade 2	0	232	664	348	1244
Grade 3	0	1028	1036	716	2780
Grade 4	184	840	1480	396	2900
Grade 5	64	1256	1452	1144	3916
Grade 6	8	1784	1552	976	4320
Grade 7	8	0	288	52	348
Grade 8	4	0	740	128	872
Grade 9	36	0	436	24	496
Grade 10	35	440	1810	2065	4350
Grade 11	20	460	1285	580	2345
Grade 12	25	380	1130	625	2160
TOTAL	384	6764	13637	7454	28239

Dartmouth					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	132	1120	720	1972
Grade 1	0	280	972	928	2180
Grade 2	0	624	1196	1108	2928
Grade 3	0	1984	1200	1168	4352
Grade 4	700	4976	900	824	7400
Grade 5	516	616	1480	956	3568
Grade 6	168	4532	1896	588	7184
Grade 7	120	204	2212	280	2816
Grade 8	36	140	1288	0	1464
Grade 9	40	388	1160	92	1680
Grade 10	32	564	316	36	948
Grade 11	16	656	544	32	1248
Grade 12	8	452	416	60	936
TOTAL	1636	15548	14700	6792	38676

Eastern Shore					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	0	796	168	964
Grade 1	0	0	656	0	656
Grade 2	0	440	828	156	1424
Grade 3	0	160	1000	260	1420
Grade 4	64	0	1340	300	1704
Grade 5	196	340	1400	192	2128
Grade 6	28	180	3136	60	3404
Grade 7	32	196	960	0	1188
Grade 8	8	72	1048	0	1128
Grade 9	48	32	1260	0	1340
Grade 10	24	44	860	460	1388
Grade 11	4	0	364	92	460
Grade 12	0	0	256	84	340
TOTAL	404	1464	13904	1772	17544

Halifax West					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	0	1596	1860	3456
Grade 1	0	412	1956	1620	3988
Grade 2	0	196	1880	1912	3988
Grade 3	0	68	2484	1900	4452
Grade 4	936	340	3528	2552	7356
Grade 5	508	492	4424	2740	8164
Grade 6	228	428	2140	1584	4380
Grade 7	112	708	472	1068	2360
Grade 8	136	580	852	0	1568
Grade 9	64	212	656	116	1048
Grade 10	72	236	292	484	1084
Grade 11	44	8	432	572	1056
Grade 12	76	8	284	700	1068
TOTAL	2176	3688	20996	17108	43968

Island View					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	0	54	0	54
Grade 1	0	0	402	42	444
Grade 2	0	105	75	18	198
Grade 3	0	138	570	1426	2134
Grade 4	284	4304	208	0	4796
Grade 5	144	7560	888	568	9160
Grade 6	140	768	1548	308	2764
Grade 7	40	224	1964	692	2920
Grade 8	20	216	2116	860	3212
Grade 9	32	372	1808	0	2212
Grade 10	8	352	1120	0	1480
Grade 11	4	496	948	160	1608
Grade 12	0	40	720	156	916
TOTAL	672	14575	12421	4194	31898

J.L. Ilsley					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	64	304	1504	1872
Grade 1	0	36	308	1528	1872
Grade 2	0	280	632	2136	3048
Grade 3	0	100	1020	1872	2992
Grade 4	576	2228	792	1412	5008
Grade 5	332	492	1112	1604	3540
Grade 6	204	276	404	1364	2248
Grade 7	48	180	360	1324	1912
Grade 8	36	64	440	1592	2132
Grade 9	12	4	468	0	484
Grade 10	8	20	524	192	744
Grade 11	4	8	536	200	748
Grade 12	16	40	380	48	484
TOTAL	1236	3792	7280	14776	27084

Lockview					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	0	2368	0	2368
Grade 1	0	0	2468	84	2552
Grade 2	0	0	3104	64	3168
Grade 3	0	0	9944	320	10264
Grade 4	236	0	8692	392	9320
Grade 5	104	0	7720	480	8304
Grade 6	52	232	9320	772	10376
Grade 7	112	0	7580	252	7944
Grade 8	44	0	6232	592	6868
Grade 9	56	52	1364	24	1496
Grade 10	56	136	4776	140	5108
Grade 11	36	200	4688	324	5248
Grade 12	12	136	4408	28	4584
TOTAL	708	756	72664	3472	77600

Marine Drive Academy					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	0	0	152	152
Grade 1	0	0	0	120	120
Grade 2	0	0	0	72	72
Grade 3	0	0	0	88	88
Grade 4	24	0	0	92	116
Grade 5	16	280	0	68	364
Grade 6	16	0	0	104	120
Grade 7	0	0	0	80	80
Grade 8	0	0	0	68	68
Grade 9	0	0	0	92	92
Grade 10	0	0	0	68	68
Grade 11	0	0	0	76	76
Grade 12	0	0	0	64	64
TOTAL	56	280	0	1144	1480

Millwood					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	300	160	968	1428
Grade 1	0	300	0	1976	2276
Grade 2	0	300	0	1872	2172
Grade 3	0	1084	280	1880	3244
Grade 4	72	712	320	1592	2696
Grade 5	52	2780	588	1672	5092
Grade 6	4	656	12	3600	4272
Grade 7	60	344	60	2132	2596
Grade 8	24	160	100	12	296
Grade 9	16	560	372	0	948
Grade 10	0	52	272	0	324
Grade 11	0	0	424	340	764
Grade 12	12	0	228	20	260
TOTAL	240	7248	2816	16064	26368

Musquodoboit Rural					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	0	680	0	680
Grade 1	0	0	796	0	796
Grade 2	0	0	484	0	484
Grade 3	0	0	460	0	460
Grade 4	128	0	544	0	672
Grade 5	108	0	448	0	556
Grade 6	60	24	588	0	672
Grade 7	40	0	392	0	432
Grade 8	28	16	436	0	480
Grade 9	12	12	292	0	316
Grade 10	20	8	240	0	268
Grade 11	20	20	420	0	460
Grade 12	32	4	436	0	472
TOTAL	448	84	6216	0	6748

Sackville					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	344	316	668	1328
Grade 1	0	356	280	792	1428
Grade 2	0	312	284	484	1080
Grade 3	0	320	376	1132	1828
Grade 4	84	316	408	1244	2052
Grade 5	72	2232	488	892	3684
Grade 6	16	369	8	1933	2326
Grade 7	0	240	12	307	559
Grade 8	15	114	20	75	224
Grade 9	36	100	16	0	152
Grade 10	8	100	156	0	264
Grade 11	20	224	60	4	308
Grade 12	8	96	28	60	192
TOTAL	259	5123	2452	7591	15425

West Bedford					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	0	0	730	730
Grade 1	0	0	0	730	730
Grade 2	0	0	24	758	782
Grade 3	0	0	0	890	890
Grade 4	10	0	12	824	846
Grade 5	17	0	22	805	844
Grade 6	5	17	98	945	1065
Grade 7	4	0	5	439	448
Grade 8	2	0	10	445	457
Grade 9	0	0	8	1	9
Grade 10	0	0	28	0	28
Grade 11	0	0	0	0	0
Grade 12	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	38	17	207	6567	6829

Woodlawn					
	Year Long	Short Term Programs			
Grade	HRA Music	Music Workshops	Dance/Drama	Visual Arts	TOTAL
Primary	0	160	1308	1676	3144
Grade 1	0	0	1220	1852	3072
Grade 2	0	44	1380	1332	2756
Grade 3	0	976	624	2316	3916
Grade 4	676	584	1160	2152	4572
Grade 5	376	2452	1588	3136	7552
Grade 6	148	10316	2836	1896	15196
Grade 7	116	636	888	600	2240
Grade 8	60	0	1048	88	1196
Grade 9	60	220	972	396	1648
Grade 10	30	2	940	136	1108
Grade 11	22	60	928	90	1100
Grade 12	34	0	604	430	1068
TOTAL	1522	15450	15496	16100	48568

Table Notes

- Figures in the total columns do not represent individual students. These figures represent total participants. Many students take advantage of multiple fine arts programs and events.
- Dance and Drama data is combined due to the integrated nature of those workshops.
- These numbers do not include the music therapy program involving 125 students with special needs in the following Families of Schools:
 - Bay View High
 - Charles P. Allen High
 - Citadel High
 - Cole Harbour District High
 - Eastern Shore District High
 - J.L. Isley High
 - Lockview High
 - Millwood High
 - Musquodoboit Rural High
 - Sackville High
 - Woodlawn High

3.3 HRA Performances in 2023-24

	In HRCE schools during school hours (e.g., school tours, drama matinees)	In HRCE facilities after school hours (for public)	In HRM community (church, performance hall, public venue)	Number of performances	Audience (approx.)
Sept					
Oct					
Nov	22	15	7	44	8405
Dec	22	32	15	69	26685
Jan	3	7	6	16	1074
Feb	4	6	0	10	2360
Mar	2	10	4	16	6275
Apr	16	21	9	46	7940
May	9	44	13	66	16469
June	4	21	3	28	5610
				Total:	74818

3.4 Location of Performances Outside of School Hours

Schools:	Churches:	Community Venues:
Admiral Westphal Elem. Astral Drive Junior High Cole Harbour District High Crichton Park Elementary Duc d’Anville Elementary Dartmouth Music Centre Dartmouth South Academy Eastern Passage Educ. Centre Ecole Oxford School Ecole Shannon Park Elem. Eric Graves Memorial Jr. High Gorsebrook Junior High Halifax West High Michael Wallace Elem. Mount Edward Elem. Portland Estates Elem. Sir Robert Borden Jr. High St. Agnes Junior High St. Stephen’s Elementary Woodlawn High	Bedford Baptist Church Cathedral Church of All Saints St. Andrew’s United St. David’s Church St. Mark’s United Woodlawn United Basilica Church Grace United Church St. Patrick’s Church St. Mary’s Basilica New Beginnings Church	Alderney Landing Basinview Community Gym Halifax Central Library Porter’s Lake Community Centre Rebecca Cohn Braeside Nursing Home Shubie Park Hydrostone Park Porter’s Lake Cenotaph Eastern Shore Community Centre UMCS Gym Camp Hill Veterans Mem. Hospital Sunnyside Mall Halifax Stanfield Airport Maritime Museum of Atlantic Seton Auditorium Dalhousie University Pier 21 Oceanview Manor CBC Radio

In addition to performances, many ensembles and groups meet weekly throughout the school year for rehearsals and practices. For example, there are 53 ensembles from grades 3-12 including:

- 19 choirs
- 10 bands (includes 1 Orff ensemble)
- 8 strings groups (including ukulele, fiddle, guitar)
- 15 improv troupes
- 1 HRCE-wide theatrical production

During 2023-24, Halifax Regional Arts ensemble rehearsals were held at:

Ash Lee Jefferson Elementary	Five Bridges Junior High
Auburn Drive High	Halifax West High
Bay View High	Island View High
Cavalier Drive Elementary	J. L. Ilsley High
Citadel High	Kingswood Elementary
Chebucto Heights Elementary	Lockview High
Clayton Park Junior High	Nelson Whynder Elementary
Cole Harbour District High	O’Connell Drive Elementary
Cunard Junior High	Halifax Music Centre (Ecole Oxford School)
Dartmouth Music Centre	Rocky Lake Junior High
Eastern Shore District High	Sir Robert Borden Junior High
Elizabeth Sutherland School	Tantallon Senior Elementary
Fairview Heights Elementary	Woodlawn High

3.5 Breadth of Fine Arts Programming in HRM in 2023-24

Below is a table of programming offered in 2023-24:

Year-Long Programs	Short-Term Programs		
HRA Music Instruction (In-person)	Music Workshops (In-person and virtually)	Drama and Dance (In-person and virtually)	Visual Arts (In-person and virtually)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Violin classes Grades 4-12 ● Advanced violin classes for secondary grades ● Viola classes Grades 4-12 ● Cello classes Grades 4-12 ● Bass classes Grades 6-12 ● Ukuleles Grades 3- 9 ● Guitar group lessons Grades 5-12 ● Musquodoboit fiddle classes Grades 4-12 ● Orchestral string classes ● Bucket drumming ● Instrumental jazz combos ● Instrumental chamber/ small ensembles ● Orff ensembles (Orffestra) ● Elementary choirs ● Senior choirs ● School based choirs ● Musical theory coaching and instruction ● African drumming and dance ensembles ● Band ensembles ● Jazz bands 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Brass clinicians for all HRCE schools ● Woodwind clinicians for all HRCE schools ● Percussion clinicians for all HRCE schools ● Band clinicians for all HRCE schools ● Grade 6 school-based band support ● Junior High band support ● High School band support ● Orff & classroom clinicians for all HRCE schools ● Music workshops and master classes with several performing artists from Nova Scotia and across Canada ● Workshops by three admin team members ● Composition/song arrangement coaching ● Instrumental improvisation workshops ● African/World hand drumming ● Bucket drumming ● Orchestra workshops – Grade 6 strings ● Recording sessions with ensembles and school groups ● Choral workshops 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● HRA <i>MacBeth</i> (4 months) ● 15 High School improv teams- all year ● Junior High improv ● Improv group short-term workshops ● Nova Scotia Drama Fest - All HRM High Schools and Junior Highs ● Unity Charity Dance and Spoken Word workshops ● Drama clinician work for high schools ● Musical theatre dance and choreography workshops ● Puppetry workshops ● Circus techniques ● Radio drama ● Lip sync and dance battles ● Hip hop workshops ● Narrative role playing ● Stomp and body percussion ● Workshops and masterclasses with several performing artists from Nova Scotia (including our Indigenous communities) and across Canada ● Neptune’s shows for schools ● Mermaid TV for all schools in HRCE ● HRA resource portal for self-led instruction ● Costume creation workshops ● Brazilian/Capoeira dance workshops ● Contra dance workshops ● High School Film Club ● Drama Clubs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● St. Catherine’s pottery lab (elementary grades) Rocky Lake, Cole Harbour ● District High pottery and fused glass labs (secondary grades) ● Class visits/school wide projects/grade level projects by 12.5 FOS Fine Arts Specialists and 5 Regional Specialists (Indigenous and African Nova Scotian) ● Local, ANS and Indigenous artist collaborations ● ArtFest – High School students, partnership with NSCAD ● “Discover”- school-wide workshop events ● Collaboration with NSCAD’s “Artists in Schools” program for elementary and junior high ● Facilitated student mural projects ● Newcomer student and family art workshops/YMCA ● Seven Teachings art displays and Mi’kmaq studies/arts integration lessons ● HRA/HRCE Student Art Showcase ● Student art groups ● Social justice art projects

4.0 BUDGET UPDATE, ALLOCATIONS FOR CURRENT YEAR AND MULTI-YEAR PROJECTION

BUDGET SUMMARY

	<u>School Year</u> <u>2019-2020</u> <u>FTE's</u>	<u>School Year</u> <u>2020-2021</u> <u>FTE's</u>	<u>School Year</u> <u>2021-2022</u> <u>FTE's</u>	<u>School Year</u> <u>2022-2023</u> <u>FTE's</u>	<u>School Year</u> <u>2023-2024</u> <u>FTE's</u>	<u>Status Quo</u> <u>School Year</u> <u>2024-2025</u>
Music and Arts						
School Based Music and Art	18.30	18.30	17.80	17.80	18.30	18.30
Family of Schools Fine Arts Specialists	12.00	14.00	16.20	19.00	22.00	22.00
Regional Fine Arts Specialists	4.00	5.00	6.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Regional Music	22.00	22.00	22.30	22.50	22.00	22.00
Halifax Regional Arts Leadership	4.00	4.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Halifax Regional Arts Support	2.30	2.30	3.30	4.30	4.30	4.30
<i>Sub-total</i>	62.60	65.60	70.60	77.60	80.60	80.60
Other Enhancements						
Library Support Specialists	72.80	73.40	73.40	73.40	75.40	75.40
Social Workers	15.00	16.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00
Early Childhood Educators	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Additional Teachers	16.00	16.00	8.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Resource Teachers	6.00	3.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Educational Program Assistants	14.00	7.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<i>Sub-total</i>	123.80	115.40	98.40	90.40	92.40	92.40
Total FTEs	186.40	181.00	169.00	168.00	173.00	173.00

BUDGET SUMMARY

	<u>Fiscal Year 2019-2020</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2020-2021</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2021-2022</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2022-2023</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2023-2024</u>	Status Quo School Year <u>2024-2025</u>	Status Quo School Year <u>2024-2025</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>		
Music and Arts							
School Based Music and Art	1,379,800.00	1,405,500.00	1,433,100.00	1,472,800.00	1,525,900.00	1,525,900.00	18.30
Family of Schools Fine Arts Specialists	926,500.00	1,104,100.00	1,342,900.00	1,604,500.00	1,804,600.00	1,804,600.00	22.00
Regional Fine Arts Specialists	289,600.00	347,100.00	488,900.00	621,400.00	674,400.00	674,400.00	8.00
Regional Music	1,596,300.00	1,640,000.00	1,738,300.00	1,799,000.00	1,820,200.00	1,820,200.00	22.00
Halifax Regional Arts Leadership	376,700.00	381,600.00	464,600.00	588,500.00	637,700.00	637,700.00	6.00
Halifax Regional Arts Secretaries	60,600.00	91,000.00	118,700.00	163,000.00	159,600.00	159,600.00	4.30
<i>Sub-total</i>	4,629,500.00	4,969,300.00	5,586,500.00	6,249,200.00	6,622,400.00	6,622,400.00	80.60
Benefits	472,000.00	512,600.00	553,400.00	627,100.00	694,600.00	694,600.00	
Program Supplies and Materials	414,800.00	917,100.00	774,000.00	1,071,100.00	1,284,000.00	1,284,000.00	
Subtotal - Music and Arts	5,516,300	6,399,000	6,913,900	7,947,400	8,601,000	8,601,000.0	
	<i>38.9%</i>	<i>46.6%</i>	<i>52.0%</i>	<i>60.2%</i>	<i>63.4%</i>	<i>63.4%</i>	
Other Enhancements							
Library Support Specialists	2,724,500	2,747,000	2,766,900	2,465,200	2,505,700	2,505,700	75.40
Social Workers	1,256,700	1,298,700	1,483,500	1,577,200	1,536,000	1,536,000	17.00
Early Childhood Educators	224,900		0		0	0	0.00
Additional Teachers	1,719,200	1,224,600	876,800	238,200	0	0	0.00
Resource Teachers	596,700	351,200	91,600		0	0	0.00
Educational Program Assistants	595,900	341,900	87,700		0	0	0.00
<i>Sub-total</i>	7,117,900	5,963,400	5,306,500	4,280,600	4,041,700	4,041,700	92.40
Benefits	1,538,200	1,339,900	1,048,300	931,500	890,200	890,200	
Program Supplies and Materials	10,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	
Subtotal - Other Enhancements	8,666,100	7,343,300	6,394,800	5,252,100	4,971,900	4,971,900	
	<i>61.1%</i>	<i>53.4%</i>	<i>48.0%</i>	<i>39.8%</i>	<i>36.6%</i>	<i>36.6%</i>	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	14,182,400	13,742,300	13,308,700	13,199,500	13,572,900	13,572,900	173.00