

STUDENTS INVOLVED IN THE ARTS...

...STAY IN SCHOOL

4%

The dropout rate of students with high arts, low socioeconomic status.

22%

The dropout rate of students with low arts, low socioeconomic status. (1)

...SCORE HIGHER on Tests

39
points
higher

Music performance students scored 39 points higher

42
points
higher

Music appreciation students scored 42 points higher on the math SAT. (3)



...ARE MORE LIKELY TO GO TO COLLEGE

61%

with high arts involvement planning to get a degree

vs

42%

with low arts involvement (2)

...ARE BETTER at EXPRESSING THOUGHTS and Ideas

High Arts groups consistently outscored low arts groups on measures of creative thinking. (4)



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