

Our goal is to provide a high quality arts-integrated experience to every elementary student in Utah. As of 2020, we've reached over half of Utah schools.

BTS Arts reaches over 210,000 students statewide.

-  213,105 K-6 Utah students participated in the program in 2020
-  82% of Utah school districts participate in the BTS Arts Program
-  383 schools participated in the 2020 school year
-  99% of schools reapplied for the program in 2020
-  41 new schools applied in 2020

93% of educators and 96% of principals report more than 90% of students in BTS Arts schools have access to the program.

BTS Arts students demonstrate increased arts competency, academic performance, and social-emotional growth.



93% of educators and 89% of principals report BTS Arts increases student mastery of the Utah Core Fine Arts Standards.



79% of educators and 81% of principals report regular, high-quality integration of fine arts and English language arts is high-quality.



84% of educators and 70% of principals report arts integration instruction improves literacy and numeracy skills in students.



94% of educators and 86% of principals report BTS Arts increases students' social emotional growth.



79% of principals report BTS Arts has a positive impact on student engagement.

"Oh my gosh! Music is so mathematical!" – BTS Arts student

BTS Arts creates connections between the school, home, and community.



64% of principals believe BTS Arts has a positive impact on parent engagement at my school.



95% of educators, 94% of principals believe BTS Arts has a positive impact on my school's culture.



55% of educators, 71% of principals believe BTS Arts creates opportunities for parents to engage with school activities and events.

The coronavirus pandemic presented challenges for schools in hosting in-person events. Some schools were creative in how they connected parents with the BTS Arts Program, using social media and other technology to host virtual art events and tours.

"During the past 7 years of teaching in the BTS program, I have witnessed miraculous growth amongst our students with special needs. I have observed great progress in the areas of gross motor and fine motor skills, communication skills, cognitive development, following directions, and their overall understanding of core concepts through art forms."
- BTS Arts Educator

BTS Arts aligns with USBE strategic priorities.

BTS Arts programmatic outcomes were specifically designed to support the USBE Strategic Plan to support improved academic outcomes for students.



Personalized Teaching & Learning - Each student and educator has access to personalized teaching and learning experiences



Safe & Healthy Schools - Each student learns in a safe and healthy school environment



Effective Educators & Leaders - Each student is taught by effective educators who are supported by effective school leaders

BTS Arts works with seven Utah universities and colleges to provide professional development for the BTS Arts educators and classroom teachers.



Please visit BTSArtsImpact.com to learn more about the program's model, impact, and history.

