

# Tuolumne County

Art is the canvas of creativity, the relaxation of being in the creative moment, the refuge of escape, and the bridge that connects humanity by experiencing another person's perspectives through your own senses. In Tuolumne County, all forms of art are used to deepen the human connection that exists in our small community.

- Zachary J. Abernathy, Tuolumne County Superintendent of Schools



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## TUOLUMNE COUNTY ARTS IN SCHOOLS

Educators in Tuolumne County recognize and value the positive impact of arts learning in the classroom. School leaders are committed to providing opportunities for students to participate in visual arts, music, and theatre programs.

The Tuolumne County Superintendent of Schools Office (TCSOS) supports learning and professional development in the arts through the Arts in the Classroom quarterly newsletter, providing information about arts related topics and activities, supporting partnerships with Tuolumne County Arts, and working with Tuolumne County Music Educators Association to coordinate the annual Honor Music Festival.

The 2023 TCSOS STEAM Expo: Science & Engineering Fair held in spring 2023 presented an exposition of student and community STEAM activities, while celebrating Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math in our schools and community. More than 200 students participated from seven local public and private schools.

The STEAM Expo was open to the public and included many hands-on exhibits from different community partners. The Tuolumne County Arts Alliance involved families in creating recycled art holograms, and displayed student projects for the "Don't Trash Tuolumne" poster contest.

Tuolumne County Superintendent of Schools also supports arts education in county-run educational programs, through the purchase of materials and supplies, and partnering with local artists to lead lessons with students.

