

Coppergate Elementary as a Visual and Performing Arts School

NEED FOR CHOICE IN CLAY:

89% of elementary parents surveyed believe that the arts are a very important or important part of their children’s education. Arts and Gifted & Talented programs are two of the top five Choice programs elementary parents selected from the School Choice survey. In addition, STEAM is the number one Choice program indicated on the survey. Coppergate Elementary can infuse the “A” in STEAM throughout all content areas thereby leading a logical feeder pattern from elementary to junior high. CGE has a 68% free and reduced lunch population. Americans for the Arts says that “low-income students who are highly engaged in the arts are twice as likely to graduate college as their peers with no arts education”. In addition, Coppergate Elementary is centrally located in the district which allows more students and parents to benefit.

<p>FEEDER ALIGNMENT</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Coppergate Elementary School for Visual and Performing Arts</p> <p style="text-align: center;">↓</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Lake Asbury Junior High School STEAM Program</p> <p style="text-align: center;">↓</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Future High School Arts Programs</p>			
<p>CURRENT CAPACITY</p>	<p>Coppergate Elementary currently has the lowest utilization percentage (76.5%) in the district. CGE is sitting at an enrollment of 555 students, yet has the capacity for 725.</p>			
<p>OVERALL COST AND DESCRIPTION</p>	<p>\$200,000 Overall Cost</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Two Additional Resource Teachers: \$120,000 ● Increase Visual and Performing Arts Learning Materials: \$48,000 ● Before and After School Opportunities: \$32,000 			
<p>MULTI-YEAR PLAN FOR IMPLEMENTATION</p>	<p>Planning Year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Market the opportunity during Controlled Open Enrollment ● Create Staff committees 	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Add an Arts resource ● Add after school Arts program 	<p>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Build Arts offerings during the day ● Add before/after school offerings 	<p>Year 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Infuse Arts cross curricularly

