22,644 Secondary Students are enrolled in Plano ISD Fine Arts Electives in 6th through 12th Grades.

- Art = 5,979
- Band = 4,859
- Choir = 4,003
- Orchestra = 4,794
- Theatre = 2,066
- Speech = 944
- JROTC = 476

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AP Arts

- 724 AP Exams with a 91% passing rate
- Plano West was 1st in Texas and 2nd in the Nation with 307 qualifying exam scores. 158 West AP arts students received a total of $4,619,386 in scholarships.
- Plano SH was 2nd in Texas and 4th in the Nation with 249 qualifying exam scores. 83 PSHS AP arts students received a total of $3,223,440 in scholarships.
- Plano East was 6th in Texas and 22nd in the Nation with 111 qualifying exam scores. 78 East AP arts students received a total of $2,324,895 in scholarships.

APS Young Masters
Exhibition @ Dallas Museum of Art
28 Plano pieces:
  - 17 - 2D works
  - 4 - 3D works
  - 2 Art History essays
  - 5 musical compositions

Visual Art

Plano submitted 839 works of Art to Regional Visual Art Scholastic Event, 633 received a superior rating of 4 and 80 will be moving on to State VASE April 28th.

In December the Plano ISD Fine Arts Department sent eight works of art to be considered for exhibition in the Youth Art Month State Capitol Exhibit by the Texas Art Education Assoc. We received word in the mail today that four were selected for the exhibit. These four works will be on exhibit from March 7-March 26 at the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum with an awards program on Sunday, March 26th. The work then moves to a second exhibition in the south gallery at State Capitol from March 28-April 4th.

STRONG ARTS
STRONG SCHOOLS
PLANO ISD
Junior Reserve Officer Training Course

November and December 2016 The Plano ISD Junior ROTC Program underwent the Junior ROTC Program for Accreditation. As a result of this inspection Plano Senior, Plano East, and Plano West each retained their Honor Unit with Distinction rating. This achievement places Plano ISD’s JROTC Programs in the top 10% of the 1,731 Army Junior ROTC programs totaling 314,000 cadets and allows the Senior Army Instructor at each of the Senior High Schools to maintain nomination authority to all military academies for Junior ROTC Cadets.

Drill Competitions

**Wildcat Battalion:**
- Unarmed Drill Team - 1st Place Overall, Denton Skills Meet & 1st Place Overall, Birdville Skills Meet
- Precision Marksmanship Team - 2nd Place Overall, Birdville Skills Meet
- Female Physical Fitness Team - 3rd Place Overall, Fort Worth Cowtown Meet

**Panther Battalion:**
- Precision Marksmanship Team - 1st Place Overall, Wichita Falls Skills Meet
- Precision Marksmanship Team - 3rd Place Overall, Birdville Skills Meet
- Academic Team 1st Place, Fort Worth Cowtown Meet

**Wolf Battalion:**
- Male Physical Fitness Team 1st Place Overall, Wylie East Skills Meet
- Male Physical Fitness Team 2nd Place Overall, Fort Worth Cowtown Meet

Service Learning

- Plano Senior visited Veterans at Spring Creek Gardens
- Plano Senior visited Veterans at Friends Place
- Plano Senior Conducted Veterans Ceremony at Wells and Saigling Elementary
- Plano East collected over 2,000 food items for Minnie’s Pantry
- Plano East hosted Veterans Day Program at Plano East
- Plano East conducted Pearl Harbor Day Ceremony
- Plano East supported Plano ISD Martin Luther King Celebration
- Plano West visited Veterans at Legacy Senior Center
Music

- 76 All-State Musicians
- TMEA Invited Choir: Plano Senior HS A Cappella Women's Chorus; Derrick Brookins & Lisa Newby, Directors
- ACDA Invited Choir - Plano Senior HS A Cappella Men's Chorus; Derrick Brookins & Lisa Newby, Directors
- Essentially Ellington Finalist - Plano West SH Jazz Band, Preston Pierce, Director

TMEA Honor Finalists

- 6A Concert Band: 4th - PWSH Wind Ensemble; James Hannah, Director, 8th - PESH Wind Ensemble, Evelio Villarreal, Director
- HS String Orchestra: 3rd - PWSH Chamber Orchestra; Ryan Ross, Director; 5th - PSHS Chamber Orchestra; Brian Coatney, Director;
- MS String Orchestra - 2nd - Rice MS Chamb Orchestra; Barbara Fox, Director; 6th - Otto MS Chamber Orchestra; Anu Daniel, Director; 8th - Robinson MS Chamber Orchestra; Mary Havenstrite, Director;
- MS Full Orchestra: 3rd - Otto MS Full Orchestra, Anu Daniel & Abby Villarreal, Directors; 5th - Rice MS Full Orchestra, Barbara Fox & Jason Tucker, Directors

Mark of Excellence Awards

National Winners: Robinson MS Wind Ensemble – Kimberly Hernandez, Director; Jasper HS Wind Ensemble – Jackie Digby, Director; Plano West SHS Wind Ensemble – James Hannah, Director; Plano West SHS Symphony Orchestra – Ryan Ross & James Hannah, Directors; Plano West SHS Chamber Orchestra – Ryan Ross, Director; and Rice MS Tenor/Bass Choir – Chelsea Farmer, Director.

Commended Winners: Robinson MS Varsity Treble Choir – Kimberley Ahrens, Director; Rice MS Acappella Treble Choir – Chelsea Farmer, Director; Plano East SHS Wind Ensemble – Evelio Villarreal, Director and Jasper HS Legacy Orchestra – Matthew Moreno, Director.
Speech

- Plano Senior HS, Plano West SH & Jasper HS Debate Teams - Advance to IPPF Sweet Sixteen
- Plano Senior HS Debate Team - Bickel & Brewer/ New York University International Public Policy Forum Champions 2016

State Forensic Tournament Results:
2nd Place Overall Sweepstakes - Plano West Senior High School
5th Place Overall Sweepstakes - Plano Senior High School
1st Place - Domestic Extemp - Katherine Hu, PSHS
2nd Place Foreign Extemp - Nikhil Ramaswamy, PWSH
2nd Place - Domestic Extemp - Ellen Wang, PWSH
3rd Place - Domestic Extemp - Shaaswat Singh, PWSH
6th Place - Informative - Kelly Graham, PSHS
Senate Congressional Finalist - Mikael Rafiqi - PWSH
8 House Congressional Finalists - Nicolas Teachnor, Navnit Mohan & Katherine Hu - PSHS; Ankur Bhagwath, Mishan Kara, Ellen Wang & Nikhil Ramaswamy - PWSH & Saavni Desai - JHS

Theatre

Plano Senior HS student, Evan Hara is the State Champion of the UIL Young Filmmakers Competition in the Division 2 Narrative category for his short film entitled "The Boundary." Evan's films represented half of the finalists in the category!

Arts by the Numbers

Plano Musicians in Region 24 All-Region Ensembles
MS Band - 44%
HS Band - 47%
MS Choir - TBD
HS Choir - 74%
MS Orchestra - 62%
HS Orchestra - 66%
Plano students made up 4% of the Texas All-Staters

Plano students represented 9% of the entries in the Texas Forensic Association State Tournament and earned 15% of the 2017 Finalist positions.

47% of the art work advancing from Region 10 North to State VASE competition came from Plano ISD
Arts Teachers of the Year

- Kiera Caldwell - Music, Sigler ES
- Darren Dodd - Music, Aldridge ES
- Tracy Evans - Art, Mitchell, ES
- Sherika Gaines - Theatre, McMillen HS
- DeEtte Quinn - Art, McCall ES
- Ellen Miller - Theatre, Vines HS
- Clay Wheeler - Speech/Theatre Schimelpfenig MS
- Kaitlyn Wright - Music, Shepard ES

Strong Arts Leadership

- **Kathy Kuddes**, Director of Fine Arts - TMAC Outstanding Administrator
- **Laura Grundler**, Visual Arts Coordinator & Matt Grundler, Brinker ES - NAEA Art Education Technology - Outstanding Community Service Award
- **Greg Arp**, Theatre Coordinator - TETA Conference Schedule Planner
- **Rhonda Smith**, Plano West SH - TFA State Tournament Site Host & Coordinator
- **Laura Grundler**, Visual Arts Coordinator - TAEA Co-Conference Director
- **Anne Quaintance Howard**, Schimelpfenig MS - NAEA Outstanding National Art Junior Honor Society Sponsor
- **Amy Semifero**, Academy HS - TAEA Outstanding High School Teacher
- **Cheryl Potts**, Plano SHS - Top 5 Finalist National Speech & Debate Teacher of the Year
- **Christopher Hammer**, Shepton HS - NSDA First Diamond Speech & Debate Coach
- **Brian Coatney**, Plano Senior HS - TMEA Orchestra Division Vice-President
- **Derrick Brookins**, Plano Senior HS - TMEA Vocal Division Vice-President
- **Brenda Keen**, Hightower ES - OAKE Southern Division President
- **Kristin Moore**, Brinker ES - KET President Elect