



The Power of Language Workshops - 2019

Mission

- Use the arts as a vehicle for teaching emotion identification and comprehension
- Provide students with a secure and safe base from which to explore the world and themselves, creating opportunity to emotionally connect, reflect, empathize, and empower one's use of personal voice
- Nurture emotional resiliency and positive behavior in developing youth
- Facilitate social-emotional learning
- Inspire stronger language arts skills through arts integrated learning
- Support the implementation of more arts integration learning in schools and other community spaces

Rationale

Arts integrated teaching fosters joyful and meaningful learning, enhancing the quality of the learning processes and overall retention.

The Power of Language is a series of workshops using music and art to facilitate social-emotional learning and aid in the mutual enhancement of emotional self-awareness and language arts skills. The project is adaptable for grade levels 2nd-12th and is comprised of at least nine hours of classroom time. Both the total duration of each workshop as well as the duration of each daily class is dependent on the needs of each program site. Schools are encouraged to schedule at least two workshops per school year with the same group of students in order to instill a strong understanding and solidification of material. Sessions can be held during or after school, depending on the program site schedule. Two to four teaching artists lead the workshops. The program and curriculum are modified towards each specific age group. Journals and a snack are provided for the students. Workshops aim to expand students' minds and imaginations by exposing them to potentially new art forms such as classical music, as well as help to fulfill certain Louisiana Student Standards for Language Arts determined by the Louisiana Department of Education.

Lyrica Baroque Provides:

- 2-4 teaching artists
- Journals for each student
- Teaching supplies
- Snack for each day of the program

Program Site Provides:

- 1 teacher/community member that the students are already familiar with
- Program counselor/therapist if available
- Space for the program

*At least one pre-project meeting is required between the Lyrica Baroque team and community members at each program site.

Approximate Cost: \$3,500

Exact cost is dependent on the number of students present and how many performing artists are participating. Supplemental funding may be available.

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