# Township District 113 FINE ARTS

A LOOK AT WHAT THE ARTS DO...

#### THE FOURTH "R"....

■ William Bennett, former U.S. Secretary of Education, reported that ...

"The arts are an essential element of education, just like reading, writing, and arithmetic...music, dance, painting, and theater are keys that unlock profound human understanding and accomplishment."

#### Arts students gain powerful tools for:

- Understanding human experiences
- Learning to adapt
- Learning creative ways to problem solve
- Understanding the influences of the arts
- Understanding cultures in a global society
- Develop critical & analytical thinking skills
- Communication and self-expression.

### Study in the Arts can...

- Awaken a passion for learning
- Improve daily attendance
- Reduce need for disciplinary actions
- Lower dropout rates
- Develop positive relationships with academic learning
- Enhance pupil's esteem
- Connect learning experiences to the world.

# The Arts & Critical Domains of Learner-Centered Practice

- Creates positive interpersonal relationships and climate.
- Honors student voice and encourages perspective taking.
- Encourages higher-order thinking and self regulation.
- Adapts to individual differences and provides developmentally appropriate challenges.

Dr. Barbara McCombs '99

## A look inside Learner-Centered classrooms of...

- Susan Gorman DHS Theatre Arts Eric Garneau
- Scott Shallenbarger HPHS Theatre Arts Junior Student – Brian Quijada
   Tim Conway

### THANK YOU...

For your support of the FINE ARTS EDUCATION in our district!

Mary Jo Papich, HPHS FA Chair Andrea Johnson, DHS FA Chair