

December 12, 2024

Board Members
School District 57

Dear School Board Trustees,

I am writing to express my sincere gratitude for the generous \$60,000 that the board has allocated to our school. As a parent of students at Spruceland Community School of the Arts, I am thrilled to see the district's support for the school's transformation into an arts institution.

This funding is a tremendous boost as we embark on providing our students with the resources they need to thrive in a creative learning environment. The creation of art spaces for learning is a pivotal step in fostering the talent and imagination of our students, and these funds will make a significant difference in the quality of their educational experience.

As the school continues to evolve, I would like to respectfully encourage the board to consider additional funding opportunities, particularly to support the purchase of a dance floor and stage curtains. As we strive to provide a comprehensive arts education, we must also consider the costs associated with acquiring supplies and rights for scripts, among other resources. These additions are essential for enhancing our performing arts programs, ensuring that students have the proper space and equipment to fully explore and develop their artistic talents.

Furthermore, we are eager to bring in Artists-in-Residence to enrich our curriculum and provide students with invaluable real-world insights. There are countless talented individuals in our community who could make a profound impact on our students, but we would require the financial support to make this a reality.

We are truly grateful for the board's commitment to the arts and for your ongoing support of Spruceland Community School of the Arts. Thank you once again for these generous funds and for your continued dedication to the success of our students.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joanne Bowers', with a stylized, cursive script.

Sincerely,
Joanne Bowers
Spruceland Community School of the Arts Parent & PAC Chair