

WHEREAS; from preschool and elementary school to high school and beyond, art education is a critical part of any academic curriculum and provides significant educational benefits to all students; and

WHEREAS; art education cultivates kids' problem-solving and critical thinking abilities, teaches appreciation for beauty, order, and other expressive qualities, and gives students a deeper understanding of and appreciation for people and cultures from around the world; and

WHEREAS; art education empowers students to discover alternative ways to communicate and express ideas, which supports academic success and personal growth, both in and outside the classroom; and

WHEREAS; art education connects the dots between what students learn in other subjects and can ultimately foster kids' development into citizens of a diverse and multicultural global society; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins families, school districts, and communities across the state in recognizing the tremendous achievements of Wisconsin's art students and educators, and reaffirms its commitment to supporting quality art programming in Wisconsin's schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim March 2026 as

## **YOUTH ART MONTH**

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance  
to all our state's residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 26th day of February 2026.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State