

# Superintendent's Snapshot

## MARICOPA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

September 15, 2023

Dear MUSD Parents,

### CELEBRATING THE ARTS

Arts in Education Week reminds us that arts are not just extras; they are essential. The success of the recent fine arts showcase at Santa Cruz Elementary underscores the importance we place on arts education.

The fine arts focus at Santa Cruz Elementary came to life through:

- Choral performances
- Paintings
- Sculptures
- Artistic weavings

From elementary to high school, our arts programs are both comprehensive and evidence-based, featuring:

- Foundational art and music for younger students
- Specialized courses for middle and high schoolers
- A curriculum that's grounded in research, promoting both academic and personal growth

As Arts in Education Week concludes, know that the arts will remain a cornerstone of our educational philosophy.

Thank you for choosing MUSD.

Sincerely,



Dr. Tracey Lopeman, Superintendent  
Maricopa Unified School District