



## Sample Invitation for Decision-Makers

[Your school/district letterhead]

[Date]

[Name of Elected Official]

[Title of Elected Official]

[Address]

[City, WA, Zip]

### Celebrate Arts Education Month in May 2009!

Dear [Name of Elected Official],

Our learning community at [School/District/Organization] is pleased to invite you to experience arts learning in action at our school on [Day], May [Date] at [Time] for [Event Name].

As we seek to develop the leaders we need for a future we cannot predict, we must ensure that today's children receive the "whole child" education that arts learning provides. Study after study shows that arts education teaches creative problem-solving and cultural awareness; offers multiple pathways to understanding for different types of learners; and increases connections and engagement between teachers, students, and the connected community that surrounds them.

[School/District/Organization] is committed to ensuring arts education for all students. We join ArtsEd Washington and many others in a statewide campaign to bring our elected officials into our schools to witness the power of arts learning during the month of May, proclaimed by Governor Christine Gregoire as Arts Education Month.

We know that you, as a district and community leader, are also committed to the best education for all our students. We'd like to support you in gaining a deeper understanding of the learning and engagement present in the arts. Please join us for [short description of your event].

We look forward to your participation. Please RSVP by [Date] to [Contact Name] at [Contact Information].

Sincerely,

President, [PTA]

Principal, [School]

[Your  
School/District  
Logo]

