



# Academy for Integrated Arts

Executive Director's Report

July 22, 2021

# 2020-2021 Enrollment

2020 - 2021

Enrollment as of

Grade	waitlist	8/25	9/21	10/20	12/7	1/25	2/22	3/19	4/16	5/20	6/2
PK	60	13	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
TK	0	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
K	5	44	45	45	44	44	44	44	44	44	44
1 <sup>st</sup>	24	47	46	46	45	44	44	42	42	42	42
2 <sup>nd</sup>	6	40	39	43	42	42	42	41	41	41	41
3 <sup>rd</sup>	8	43	42	42	42	42	42	40	40	40	40
4 <sup>th</sup>	34	28	28	28	27	27	27	27	27	27	27
5 <sup>th</sup>	30	25	24	24	22	22	22	23	23	23	23
6 <sup>th</sup>	5	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>252</b>

\*We will potentially receive funding for about 10 of our 13 PK students.

## 2021 - 2022 Enrollment Status as of July 19, 2021

Status	PK	TK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Offered	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	1	2	7
Accepted	0	0	4	1	0	1	1	0	0	7
Reg in Progress	4	2	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	13
Reg Complete	4	1	8	0	1	1	1	0	0	16
Reg Verified	4	1	9	4	2	5	3	1	0	29
Current AFIA Students	0	0	11	41	38	35	34	25	16	200
<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>272</b>
Waitlisted	53	0	0	19	10	9	6	11	8	121
Declined	0	3	32	4	8	5	3	1	4	60

# Staffing Updates

Not returning to AFIA:

- 4 full-time teachers
- 3 part-time teachers (interventionists and PE teacher)
- 1 assistant teacher

New hires:

- 5 classroom teachers
- 4 full-time support staff (interventionist, enrichment, and two student support)
- PE teacher

Still need to hire:

- Additional support staff for in-house substitute teachers and extended day
- Co-teachers (this will be more difficult at this time, but will look at hiring December graduates)

# Facilities Update

- We anticipate painting the primary hallway in the next two weeks
- We will add TVs to the primary hallway as the Team Boards in that hallway are beginning to need to be replaced (they are over 7 years old).

# General Updates

- Our Instructional Leadership team held our annual retreat on July 13 - 15. This team is comprised of our administrative team and teacher leaders. During this retreat our team reflected on the past school year and engaged in action planning for the upcoming school year.
- On July 19th, AFIA's returning teachers engaged in math curriculum work led by AFIA's principal, Karren Colbert.
- On July 20 and 21, over 20 AFIA staff members participated in Project Approach training at AFIA. This training is being led by Dr. Karrie Snider. Both experienced and new teachers are participating in this training.
- The Safe to Return Task Force will meet to discuss the CDC's updated guidance and determine any necessary updates to our [Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan \(SRCSP\)](#).



# Grants and Partnership Updates

- Missouri Arts Council Grant - We concluded the project, *Dance Residency to Support Arts Integration* with teaching artist Harlan Brownlee. We appreciate the support of the MO Arts Council for this project and are grateful for all that we learned from Harlan. Here is an excerpt from the final report:

When asked the open-ended question: *What changes did you see in your students' academics and/or behaviors due to the professional development experiences provided?* Teachers responded with:

- “Engagement levels were higher, critical thinking was stronger and higher-level, students had more choice in their learning and representation of knowledge and understanding”.
- “Students were more excited and engaged in the learning experiences and took more ownership over their learning”.
- “In the beginning, students were a little nervous or embarrassed to dance in front of each other. After a couple morning meetings and vocabulary word practices, they really started to ease up on the negative thoughts of dancing in front of each other that they had before. They became more confident and engaged”.
- “Higher engagement, connection with each other, joy!”

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- Sherman Family Foundation - AFIA was awarded a grant to support the work of Literacy Lab at AFIA. This will be our fourth year working in partnership with Literacy Lab. Literacy Lab tutors will deliver interventions to students in grades K - 3rd grade.
- School Smart KC - AFIA is moving to a new student information system. SSKC has supported this work through technical and financial support.



# Renewal Updates

- AFIA's renewal committee will consist of board members, AFIA's leadership team, teachers and families.
- There will be a School Quality Review (SQR) visit in September that will include a board focus group. When the dates are finalized, I will share this information.
- The board members who are on the renewal committee will meet with our sponsor in mid-August to discuss one of the elements we must include in our charter renewal application: Governance Succession Planning.

# Upcoming Board Opportunities

- New Staff Event: July 27 at 4PM at Summit Grill
- Back to School Breakfast: August 5th at 9 AM at AFIA
- First Day of School: August 18th at 7:40 AM