

## YOUTH ART MONTH 2016 ENDORSEMENT

WHEREAS art education contributes powerful educational benefits to all elementary, middle, and secondary students including the following:



art education develops students' creative problem-solving and critical thinking abilities;



art education teaches sensitivity to beauty, order, and other expressive qualities;



art education gives students a deeper understanding of multi-cultural values and beliefs;



art education reinforces and brings to life what students learn in other subjects; and



art education interrelates student learning in art production, art history, art criticism, and aesthetics.

**WHEREAS** our national leaders have acknowledged the necessity of including art experiences in all students' education,

**AND WHEREAS MARCH** is officially recognized as YOUTH ART MONTH, I endorse the observance of Youth Art Month and encourage the support of quality school art programs for children and youth.

NOW, THEREFORE, I

Jennifer A. Fano Interim Superintendent of Randolph Township Schools February 16, 2016

Do hereby endorse March 2016 as YOUTH ART MONTH.

