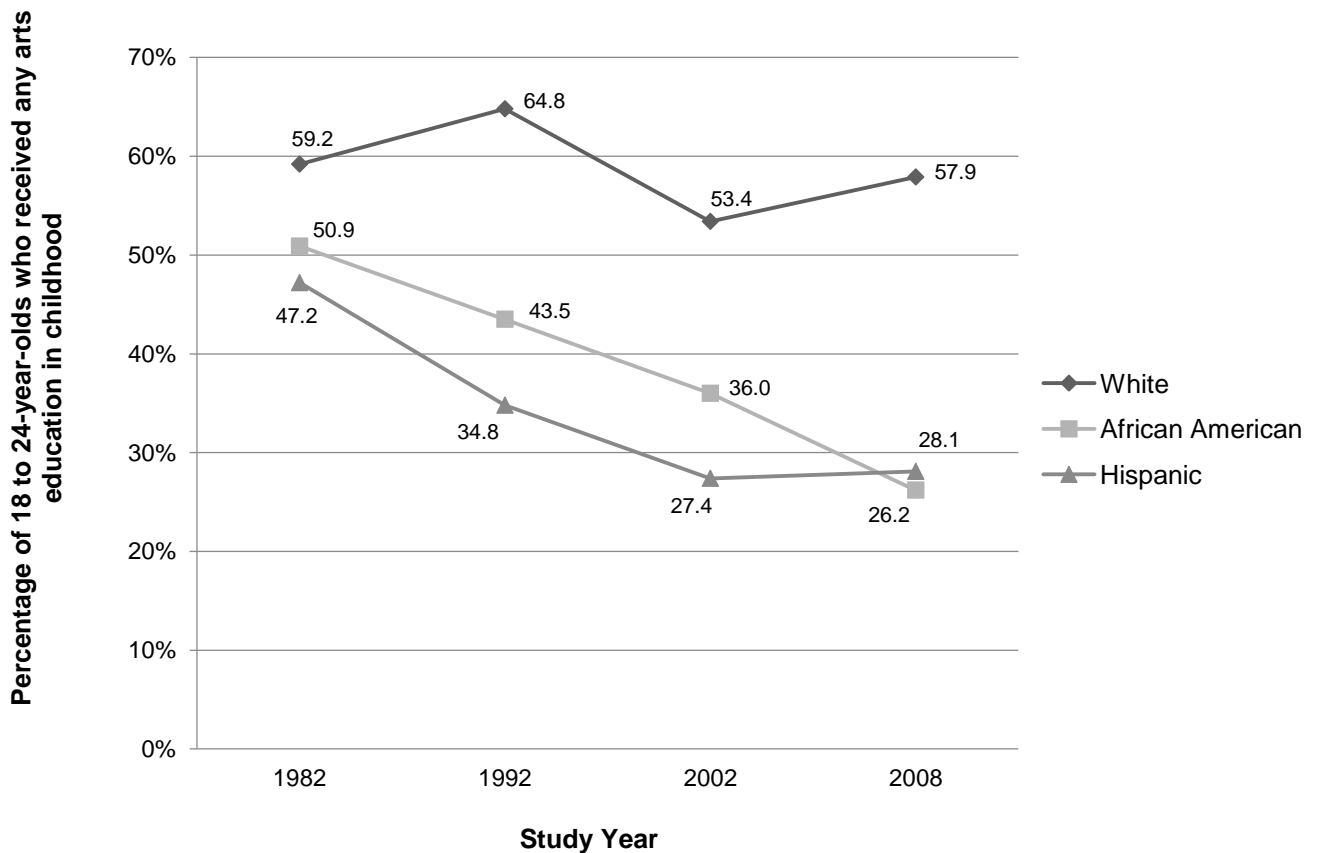




Arts Facts...Access to Arts Education is Not Equitable

In 2008, African-American and Hispanic students had less than half of the **access** to arts education than their White peers.

Decline of Arts Education in Underserved Populations



- Access to arts education for Blacks and Hispanics is significantly lower than for their White peers, and has been steadily declining for three decades.
- Findings by UCLA researcher James Catterall indicate that low socio-economic-status students who are engaged in arts learning have increases in high school academic performance, college-going rates, college grades, and holding jobs with a future.
- Despite these findings, the decline of arts education is most drastic in underserved populations, where students who could benefit the most from arts education are getting it the least.

Source: NEA Office of Research & Analysis, NORC at the University of Chicago (Rabkin & Hedberg, 2011).