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“(52) WELL-ROUNDED EDUCATION.—The term ‘well-rounded education’ means courses, activities, and programming in subjects such as English, reading or language arts, writing, science, technology, engineering, mathematics, foreign languages, civics and government, economics, arts, history, geography, computer science, music, career and technical education, health, physical education, and any other subject, as determined by the State or local educational agency, with the purpose of providing all students access to an enriched curriculum and educational experience.”.

An ESEA Amendment  
Offered by Ms. Bonamici

After Section 4107(3)(C)(v) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as proposed to be added by the amendment in note 1 for Title IV of the ESEA, the following:

**“(vi) integrating other academic subjects, including the arts, into STEM programs to increase participation in STEM, improve attainment of STEM-related skills, and promote well-rounded education;”**

And after Section 4107(3)(H) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as proposed to be added by the amendment in note 1 for Title IV of the ESEA, insert the following:

**“(I) programs and activities that support educational programs that integrate multiple disciplines, such as programs that combine arts and math; or”**

With the subsequent subparagraph renumbered.

**“SEC. 4642. ASSISTANCE FOR ARTS EDUCATION.**

“(a) AWARDS TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE FOR ARTS EDUCATION.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Awards made to eligible entities to fulfill the purpose described in section 4641(a)(1), shall be used for a program (to be known as the ‘Assistance for Arts Education program’) to promote arts education for students, including disadvantaged students and students who are children with disabilities, through activities such as—

“(A) professional development for arts educators, teachers, and principals;

“(B) development and dissemination of accessible instructional materials and arts-based

- **Pre-School Grant Program** - included the arts within the “Essential Domains of School Readiness” definition
- **Promise Neighborhoods** – In past implementation, the arts are listed as one of four competitive priorities.
- **21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers** - supports afterschool, out-of-school, and expanded learning time in schools.