

2026 PARTNER AGREEMENT

As a partner of Arts Ed Newark (AEN), you and/or your organization are a part of a collective effort to ensure that all Newark children in grades PreK-12 have equitable access to high quality, sequential arts education opportunities both in and out of school; you will:

- Access opportunities for individual and organizational professional development;
- Opportunities to network and collaborate with the Newark Board of Education (NBOE), charter schools, independent schools, arts organizations and other regional and national arts education advocacy organizations;
- Receive regular updates and information affecting the field; and
- Create significant and lasting impact with our collective voice and coordinated efforts.

BENEFITS: *You and/or your organization will receive:*

Funding Opportunities

- Opportunities to be considered to receive funding from NBOE in SummerQUEST programming and other local, state, and federal funding sources
- Exclusive partner grant postings through the AEN partner portal.

Networking, Access, Trainings:

- Shared network/publicity to showcase your work and successes
- Listing in the AEN program directory, which is shared digitally with NBOE and charter school arts education staff, parents, and AEN partners quarterly.
- Access to capacity building for you and your staff including marketing, fundraising, etc.
- Access to data and evaluation support to measure the reach and impact of arts education in Newark
- Access to healing centered engagement through the arts trainings for you and your staff

Publicity/Outreach

- Liaising for community events, to share your organization's work to more parts of the city and community
- Opportunities within the arts education community including: access to relationship-building, learning and community-building, leadership opportunities and more!
- Opportunity to grow the arts ed community in Newark

**Advocacy,
Resources &
Services
valued at over
\$25,000!**

YOUR COMMITMENT: *You and/or your organization will contribute:*

Time Commitment & Required Participation:

- At least 12 hours of partnership representation annually (which includes all 4 annual partner meetings – 2hrs each).
*see calendar attached
- **Committee Work:** Consistently participate in the work of (at least) one committee *see committees listed on back
- Community events representing AEN

Shared Communication/s:

At least three "Share outs" via any/all of these methods:

- Monthly eblast submission
- June end of year partner meeting reflection/celebration
- Blog post on AEN website
- Collaborative marketing with AEN at least twice annually

Data sharing

- Commit to sharing data via DART Analytics Dashboard, a citywide data collection system
- Commit to using the AEN survey tools to evaluate your programs
- Share your own data and impact stories to show how arts education in Newark transforms lives

Events:

- Volunteer to host or support at least one AEN/community event or partner meeting
- Host a meeting or event on behalf of AEN, when possible

ANNUAL FEES:

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| • Budgets over \$1mil: \$750 | • School: \$115 |
| • Budgets \$501K-\$999K: \$350 | • Individual: \$50 |
| • Budgets through \$500K: \$150 | • Events-only: pay at door for non-partner |

Annual partnership runs from January 1 through December 31 with quarterly partner meetings. Organizational partnership includes up to 3 staff members per organization. Additional staff may be added at the Individual rate (\$50). Each organization is allotted one vote in all AEN elections, regardless of the number of staff.

2026 COMMITTEE DESCRIPTIONS

□ CAPACITY-BUILDING

Inclusive of Professional Development and Evaluation

- ▶ Participate in designing professional development programming for AEN community
- ▶ Help develop a tested and pragmatic system for assessing services gaps and outcomes in schools and communities
- ▶ Support having actionable data in capacity building efforts
- ▶ Show impact of your work as part of the larger "story" of arts education in Newark

□ ENGAGEMENT

Inclusive of Advocacy and Communication

- ▶ Help improve and sustain a locally credible branding and communications strategy
- ▶ Support and coordinate advocacy campaigns with and on behalf of Newark community
- ▶ Provide training on resources available in Partner Portal
- ▶ Creating deeper community engagement opportunities and reach for arts education in Newark

□ HEALING CENTERED ENGAGEMENT

- ▶ Help sustain and expand training on trauma informed and healing centered arts practices
- ▶ Provide storytelling and marketing to demonstrate arts education as a tool for youth well-being
- ▶ Sustain and expand shared criteria for assessing intentional, quality healing centered arts programming
- ▶ Continue to develop and share integrated best practices to empower arts and healthcare professionals

I consent to this partner agreement for (Individual/Organization) _____ at the annual fee of \$_____ and to commitments listed above including support of the (Select Committee) _____ for the duration of the Arts Ed Newark 2026 partner year. Again, I/we understand that annual partnership runs from January 1 through December 31 with quarterly partner meetings. Organizational partnership includes up to 3 staff members per organization/school. Additional staff may be added at the Individual rate (\$50). Each organization is allotted one vote in all AEN elections, regardless of the number of staff.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:

PRINT NAME OF SIGNATORY:

ORGANIZATION (IF APPLICABLE):

DATE:
