

## **BOARD AGENDA ITEM**

**April 22, 2025**

### **SUBJECT:**

Submission of the South Carolina Arts Commission – Arts in Basic Curriculum (ABC) Grant Application by New Ellenton Middle STEAM Magnet School – FY26

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

New Ellenton Middle STEAM Magnet School would like to submit an application to the SC Arts Commission for the Arts in Basic Curriculum (ABC) Grant in the amount of \$12,500.00. This will be year three of a three-year arts grant opportunity to provide a comprehensive and sequential arts education. The purpose of the ABC grant is to assist schools and districts in developing and implementing arts initiatives that support quality arts education programs that significantly improve student achievement in the arts. The monies will be used to fund substitute teachers for arts teachers to conduct strategic planning to implement arts integration strategies across grade levels and/or professional conferences/meetings, equipment, artists-in-residence, professional development (conferences, membership fees, hotel, travel), arts-based field trips, equipment and instrument maintenance, and general, instructional, and technology materials and supplies for theatre, music, dance, visual and digital arts, and performances.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION:**

The Division of Instruction has evaluated the goals and objectives within the grant and finds them to be consistent with district goals.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the submission of the South Carolina Arts Commission ABC Arts in Education Grant by New Ellenton Middle STEAM Magnet School in the amount of \$12,500.00, and receipt of funds if awarded.

### **PREPARED BY:**

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