

I support a comprehensive secondary school reform package developed by the SDE:

As the global economy shifts and more and more labor is being done in other countries, it is essential that American students are prepared for alternative careers. The fine arts **stimulates creative thinking in all areas** and also can be a **lucrative career choice** for many. It is essential that a fine arts graduation requirement be included, to help prepare students for careers in the arts.

School reform legislation should be designed in a way to ensure that students are able to sustain 4 years of study in each of the six core academic areas as defined by the College Board and federal legislation, i.e.: English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, World Languages, and the Fine Arts.

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