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The members of the Thirty-Fourth Alaska State Legislature join the Alaska Arts Education Consortium (AAEC) in honoring the Alaska Council of School Administrators (ACSA) upon its recognition as the 2026 Arts Advocate Champion by the AAEC.

For the past ten years, the ACSA has been advocating for arts education in Alaska through its annual Alaska's Heart Through Student Art event. This arts program has a profound impact on students, communities, and those who support arts in public education across the state. The exhibition gives students the opportunity to show their creativity and share their artistic talents with a statewide audience. For students, this experience fosters confidence, pride, and a stronger connection to learning.

Alaska's Heart Through Student Art serves as a gathering point for educators, families, policymakers, and arts supporters to celebrate student creativity and recognize the arts as an integral part of a well-rounded education. The event and ACSA's active promotion of it through its membership contribute to the promotion of art education in school districts. By actively pursuing art from all fifty-four school districts in Alaska for the exhibit, the Alaska Council of School Administrators advocates for the inclusion of art throughout the state and sets an example that art is a crucial component of education in our public schools.

ACSA's Alaska's Heart Through Student Art nurtures students as artists by providing opportunities for professional exhibitions, public engagement, earning money, and receiving recognition. Selected student artwork is exhibited and auctioned, offering valuable real-world experience and reinforcing the value of their creative work. Sixty percent of auction proceeds go to the student artists, while the rest support art education scholarships for future students, promoting artistic growth and ensuring their success in the arts.

By sponsoring the Alaska's Heart Through Student Art project, ACSA actively strengthens arts education across Alaska, demonstrating a consistent, mission-driven approach that deserves recognition.

The members of the Thirty-Fourth Alaska State Legislature thank the Alaska Council of School Administrators for its many years of service and commitment to promote the value of arts education in our state, thereby enriching the lives of students in communities throughout Alaska.



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