ARTS LINK Focus Group Question Bank

1. What is Success?

- How did your collaboration enhance student learning?
- How did your collaboration enhance student motivation and engagement?
- How did your collaboration enhance student creativity?
- What skills do you think your students acquired through their projects?

2. Challenges and Roadblocks

What were the most significant challenges experienced in your class sessions in each of the following areas?

- Student Behavior and Engagement
- Resources
- Collaboration between Teaching Artist and Classroom/Arts Teacher
- Administrative Support

3. Collaboration

- What were some of the best practices you acquired to effectively collaborate with your teaching artist or classroom teacher?
- What would you like to improve about your collaboration with your teaching artist/classroom teacher?
- What do you know now about collaboration that you wish you knew at the beginning of this project?

4. Professional Development and Resources

- What were the most effective/memorable professional development topics/sessions?
- What additional topics would you like to see covered in the Professional Development component of this project?
- What additional resources would you liked to have provided to improve the effectiveness of your art's collaboration?





- What resources would be most useful to have to keep these collaborations active beyond this grant?
- 5. Conclusion (Large group, everyone is together, and comments are posted on chat.
 - Please pick three words to summarize the experience of your students in this project.
 - Please pick three words to summarize your experience in this project.
 - Final Comments and Questions

6. Principal/Administrator Focus Group Questions

- Now that we have ended the school year, how do you think the project is going?
- What positive feedback have you received from your teachers?
- What critical feedback have you received from your teachers?
- How would you describe the current level of teacher buy-in to Arts Link?
- What suggestions do you have to maintain or enhance teacher commitment and engagement to this project?
- How can you be assisted in your efforts to engage your teachers in this project?

7. Miscellaneous Teacher/Artist Focus Group Questions:

- What are some of the most significant insights or points of learning that have occurred for you as a result of participating in this project?
- What are some of the successes you have witnessed in the classroom arising from the professional development and collaborations?
- What challenges have you faced over the past few months in implementing this project into your classroom?
- How can you be assisted in moving forward into the next school year with this project?
- What topics would you like to see included in future professional development sessions?

