

Supervision/Administration Division

More With Less

We are now at a time when we need to provide quality art education with fewer funds. Yes, we have experienced this in the past but this time the implications seem greater. What can we do as supervisors to make this possible?

- Listen to the needs of our students and teachers.
- Inspire our teachers by letting them know the importance of their jobs.
- Think creatively to find how to teach the TEKS with alternative materials.
- Be an advocate for art education.
- Educate the public on the 21st century skills that are taught in art class.
- Connect with the digital natives by making the curriculum real and relevant.
- Be flexible.
- Tap teacher and student strengths to find solutions.
- Remember innovation comes from creativity.

I am looking forward to the Supervisor's Meeting in Galveston for us to inspire each other and share ideas. Our meeting will be on Wednesday, November 9th from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Come with your creative caps on so we can find ways to provide quality art education in today's climate.

When you think back to how the fine arts brought you to your place today a flood of memories can motivate you to provide opportunities for the students and teachers. The visual arts are where I excelled. Though the arts I gained confidence to succeed in other content areas. Put yourself in the role of the students and teachers to sense the needs. Then you can find solutions to provide more with less.

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