GET INVOLVED

- Visit the Advocacy page on CFAEFL.org to learn more about how involvement in the arts correlates with increased academic performance.
- Talk with administrators and local and state politicians about the value of arts education.
- Visit MyFloridaHouse.gov and FLSenate.gov to learn more about your state representatives.

The mission of The Florida Music Education Association is to promote quality, comprehensive music education for all Florida Students as part of their complete education.

The mission of The Florida School Music Association is to provide leadership, advocacy, and service for school music programs in support of quality music education experiences for students.

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**ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE**

**11%**

**HIGHER GRADUATION RATE**
Music students have an 80% graduation rate compared to students with no music credits in high school, who average a rate of 72%.

**15%**

**HIGHER GPA**
Students involved in four music credits average a 3.1 GPA compared to students with no music credits averaging a 2.7 GPA.

**75%**

**LOWER DROP OUT RATE**
The drop out rate for students engaged in four years of music is 7%, while the drop out rate for students not engaged in music is 28%.

There is a strong correlation between regular involvement in music and improved test scores. The correlation extends through all socio-economic classifications and students with disabilities.

High school music students, compared to those with no music credits, average 8.73% higher on SAT Math and 10.34% higher on SAT Verbal.

High school music students on a free and/or reduced lunch price program averaged 41 points higher on SAT Math and 50 points higher on SAT Verbal than students with no music credits.

*Full study results can be found at CFAEFL.org under "Advocacy"*