



Windsor Endowment
FOR THE ARTS



CHANGING THE ODDS PATHWAY TO LITERACY FOR KIDS

TWO EXCITING PROGRAMS | YEAR ONE

LITERACY FOR GRADES 1 - 8 IN STEAM SUBJECTS:

Integrating Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math

Bringing Drama, Dance, Visual Arts and Music to spark engagement and deepen understanding in Science, Math and other non-Arts subjects in Grades 1 - 8.

Schools in Need: Begley, Queen Elizabeth, West Gate, Queen Victoria, General Brock, Marlborough and Dougall.

- ▶ Teachers in Grades 1 - 8 choose the art form and topic, e.g.
- ▶ Grade 6 Math - Transformational Geometry through Creative Movement
- ▶ Grade 3 Science - Structures and Mechanisms through Visual Arts and Design
- ▶ Artists and Teachers plan and create dynamic arts-based lesson activities using Drama, Music, Visual Arts and Dance / Creative Movement.
- ▶ Artists and classroom Teachers team-teach arts-based lessons.

LITERACY IN GRADES 1 - 8 STEAM ARTISTS:

- ▶ **Drama** Matthew Romain, Puppetry and Linda Lord
- ▶ **Visual Arts** Ainslee Winter and April Morris
- ▶ **Music** Teajai Travis, Spoken Word, Rhythm and Drum Circle
- ▶ **Dance** Louise Paquette, Joanna Coughlin and Anh Nguyen

YEARS TWO - FIVE, TO JUNE 2026:

At the end of each school year, CTO will examine the year's successes and challenges in consultation with participating Artists, Teachers, school Principals and GECDsB's Kindergarten, Language and Arts consultants. Ways will be explored to refine and expand CTO for greater impact. GECDsB research findings will be included in a year-end report to WEA.

At the end of the Five-Year initiative, GECDsB research will give valuable information on how CTO has benefitted the children of Windsor-Essex in schools of highest need.