





Need-To-Knows from the Advocacy Chair

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It seems like just yesterday we were waiting to see whether the groundhog would predict 6 more weeks of winter- now, we've only got about 6 more weeks of the 2021-2022 school year! Wow. Time flies! For this round of the newsletter, there are lots of updates about Federal funding. Definitely continue to keep an eye on the planning of your local budgets as well, and keep music education in the conversation. And, let us know how we can support you! #artsAREeducation #wealldeservearts



Check Out these NEW NAfME Resources On the Advocacy Bulletin Blog:

i. FY 23 Budget Request Update
ii. FY 22 Bipartisan Omnibus Agreement
iii. Title I and Music Education: Allowable
Uses

iv. Changing the Rule: How the Change in the "Supplement Not Supplant" Provision Can Help Support Music Education Coming in May: Ask your congressperson to support <u>Title IV Part A</u> Funding for Music Education



Keep an eye out for the launch of this NAfME advocacy campaign on **May 3.**

Title IV Funding Support Letter

MMEA has signed on to a letter to the US Senate to "urge Congress to fund the SSAE flexible grant program at \$2 billion in FY 2023."

Maryland joins multiple other states in support of this specific ask in regards to President Biden's budget for FY2023.

State Proclamation

We did it! Review the MIOSM Proclamation.



Do you need assistance with an action like this or writing a position statement? Let us know! MMEA and the NAfME Advocacy Leadership Force are here to help.





