
EVERYDAY ARTS NETWORK ABSTRACT

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Designed in partnership with New York City’s District 75, Urban Arts Partnership, and the Los Angeles Unified School District, ***Everyday Arts Network*** (EAN) is a professional development program for educators of elementary school students with disabilities. Building upon the successful practices developed in District 75 and UAP’s i3-funded model program, ***Everyday Arts for Special Education*** (EASE), EAN integrates standards-based arts instruction with core academic area content, enhancing instruction through the use of high-quality digital tools and materials. The program is designed to improve teachers’ content knowledge in the arts and their ability to deliver high-quality arts- and technology-integrated instruction; students will increase arts skills, social-emotional learning, and academic achievement.

Participating teachers receive professional development through direct services and the EAN online e-Learning Hub, where participants interact with program content, peers, and teaching artists in multiple ways that support mastery of EAN arts-integration strategies. The e-Learning Hub is also a crucial dissemination tool; a project goal is to serve 500 non-treatment educators through online professional development over the project’s four-year duration.

EAN will provide direct services to 150 educators and 2,000 students with disabilities in New York and Los Angeles; through professional development activities, it will indirectly serve an additional 3,400 special education students. EAN’s Principal Investigator is Dr. Rebecca Casciano, Managing Director of Glass Frog Solutions evaluation firm.