

Media Advisory

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Abbott Elementary to Showcase Campus Murals in Turnaround Arts Project

WHAT:

Nearly 100 students and staff members of Abbott Elementary will showcase artwork throughout the walls of the school's campus in celebration of its participation in the Turnaround Arts: California program. The Inside Out Project will make a visual statement about the school's commitment to leveraging the arts for educational equity.

Abbott was accepted into the Turnaround Arts program in summer 2018, providing teacher training, a regional coach to facilitate Abbott's strategic arts plan and coordinated support for public arts events.

Participants in the Inside Out Project will "activate" exterior campus walls using a photo booth truck and blackand-white portraits.

WHEN: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, May 31

WHERE: Abbott Elementary School

5260 Clark St. Lynwood

MORE:

Abbott has expanded its arts curriculum to include a 45-minute art lesson per week for all K-6 students and added harmonica classes for third-grade students as part of a partnership with Turnaround Arts: California, which provides up to \$10,000 in annual financial support to help ensure arts education for every Abbott student.

Abbott is one of 27 Turnaround Arts partner schools in California, and 80 nationwide. Turnaround Arts partner schools have seen increases in English language arts and math proficiency, better student engagement for arts-integrated instruction, improved attendance, declining suspension rates and increased family participation in art events.

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