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# Sen. Frank Barnitz Welcomes Students from Crocker High School to the State Capitol

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JEFFERSON CITY – State Sen. Frank Barnitz, D-Lake Spring, last Wednesday welcomed fine arts students from Crocker High School to the Missouri State Capitol as part of the Missouri Alliance for Arts Education’s Fine Arts Education Day.

During their visit, the Senator took time from Senate business to meet with the students. Staff from the Senator’s office gave them a tour of the Capitol, which included the opportunity to sit in on proceedings in both the Senate and the House of Representatives.

“I enjoyed meeting the students from Crocker,” said Sen. Barnitz, who represents the 16th Senatorial District. “I am glad that these students took the time to visit me and share their concerns on a subject – fine arts education – about which they are passionate.”

Fine Arts Education Day featured student art exhibits and performances in music, dance, and theatre. The Missouri Alliance for Arts Education lobbied the General Assembly to support public funding of the Missouri Fine Arts Assessment by requesting legislators’ support to appropriate \$545,000 toward the budget of the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education for the use of promoting fine arts education.

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**Photo attachment:** Students from Crocker High School in the Capitol