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Highland Local Schools Receives Ohio Arts Council Grant to Host Resident Artist for 2024-25

Highland Local Schools is thrilled to welcome back resident artist, [Mimi Brodsky Chenfeld](#), an acclaimed creative writer, author and multidisciplinary artist and dancer, as part of a TeachArtsOhio Grant from the Ohio Arts Council. Highland Middle School is honored to be named a recipient of his competitive grant which will provide funding for ten days of creative, multidisciplinary learning opportunities with Ms. Chenfeld during the 2024-2025 academic school year.

This project will incorporate creative writing with student movement, music, and artistic expression to encourage creativity while reinforcing vocabulary and building background knowledge. Ms. Chenfeld's work will allow Highland to support students by exposing teachers to new ways that students can access learning, improve their writing skills, and gain confidence to participate in a form of self-expression.

This TeachArtsOhio Grant is made possible in part by an investment of public funds from the Ohio Arts Council (OAC). The OAC is a state agency that funds and supports quality arts experiences to strengthen Ohio communities culturally, educationally and economically.

Highland Middle School would like to offer their heartfelt thanks to Governor Mike DeWine and members of the General Assembly for acknowledging the importance of public funding for the arts.

Highland Local Schools is located in southern Morrow County and serves the towns of Sparta, Marengo, and Chesterville. The schools are the foundation of the community as school-sponsored events are well-supported by parents, students, alumni, teachers, and staff. The goal of developing well-rounded students in a safe and caring environment where every student is known and valued is shared by all.

