**The CSDE and TeachRock Partnership Application for Participation**

**Directions:**

The Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) invites districts to complete this application to participate in a unique partnership with TeachRock. TeachRock is a standards-aligned, arts integration curriculum that uses the history of popular music and culture to help teachers engage students. The purpose of this partnership is to integrate the arts in the curriculum and design engaging and meaningful daily lessons so that students make connections, express ideas, feelings, and human experiences through a variety of medium.

Selected district superintendents will be invited to attend an in-person kickoff celebration on June 6, 2022, with TeachRock to meet the team, learn about the implementation plan, what this partnership can provide for your teachers, students, and community, and meet with the founders of the Rock and Roll Forever Foundation.

Please complete this application to participate in the CSDE and TeachRock partnership and be considered for Phase II implementation for the school year 2022-2023, and submit it to Irene Parisi, Chief Academic Officer, at Irene.Parisi@ct.gov by **Monday, April 4, 2022**.

**Part I: District Contact Information**

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| **District Name** |  |
| **Superintendent** |  |
| **E-mail Address** |  |
| **Telephone #** |  |
| **District Website** |  |

**Part II: Proposed School and/or Teacher Teams**

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| **School Name** |  |  |
| **Supervisor:**  | **Director:**  | **Supervisor E-mail:**  |  |
| **Teacher Participants** | **Grade** | **Content** | **Teacher Participant Emails:** |
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**Part III: Background Information**

This year, we are requesting that interested teams submit a video that is **no more than 2 minutes in length** explaining why they want to be a TeachRock partner. Videos must include the following: school/district name, city, and what they hope to accomplish in the program. Mobile device or Zoom recordings are acceptable. Videos should be submitted to Irene Parisi, Chief Academic Officer, at Irene.Parisi@ct.gov. Please use the spaces below to provide additional information.

Please describe the current efforts underway for integrating the arts into the daily instruction both in the nominated school and in the classes of the intended teacher nominees.

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How might you envision the TeachRock partnership as a strategy to elevate or scale your vision for integrating the arts in instruction across multiple content areas?

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Why do you want to be a TeachRock partner?

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As part of the TeachRock Partner Program there are multiple opportunities for professional development. Please use the space below to share days and times when your team would be available for these sessions.

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**Requirements as a Partner District:**

Participating teachers will be asked to complete the following:

1. Participation in summer professional learning modules to develop an understanding of TeachRock model lesson implementation.
2. Completion of feedback surveys to assess implementation and impact.
3. Participation in virtual walkthrough/classroom visits with the CSDE and TeachRock staff, including the Rock and Roll Forever Foundation Founder.