Mission

Every K-8 child will receive pervasive, abundant, and resource-rich arts learning experiences that are connected to New Orleans cultures and model excellence and best practices in education.
Vision

Any Given Child is creating a movement of partnerships across cultures, communities and classrooms resulting in confident, creative young people with a passion for life and learning.
The Process

1,200 community members and 32 schools participated in an extensive review of data on existing arts education services in New Orleans. Through 29 meetings with a Community Arts Team, school leaders, and the public, our city has established 5 Goals and an Action Plan for Any Given Child New Orleans.*

*Working Title

Detailed information about survey findings and the process can be found at kidsmart.org/any_given_child.html.
Goals & Action Plan

- **GOAL 1:** Expand **ACCESS TO EXCELLENT** arts rich schools that provide rigorous, sequential and joyful arts education.
  - Create rubric for arts rich schools and common definitions for arts education terms to align all stakeholders.
  - Meet with and collect data from schools about existing arts programming and desire for arts hub.
  - Create pilot project and application process for first cadre of schools.
  - Organize professional development opportunities for schools and teaching artists.

- **GOAL 2:** **INVEST** in arts education by identifying and developing resources to ensure sustainability of initiative.
  - Raise funds for AGCNO initiative and school pilot project.
GOAL 3: COMMUNICATE and connect with stakeholders, partners and community to build awareness and share information.

- Create an engaging, action-oriented name and branding for the initiative.
- Prepare and present media event to announce initiative.
- Create and disseminate materials for Year 2 programming.

GOAL 4: ADVOCATE for arts education by creating a POLICY platform and engaging stakeholders as champions to help facilitate its realization.

- Gather current information about arts education policies nationally and determine relevant data.
- Conduct initial research scan on relevant policy issues and identify potential consultant.
GOAL 5: Develop and maintain a digital ARTS EDUCATION HUB database of mapped data and arts education resources to inform decision making and programming.

- Convene cultural partners and parent groups to discuss preliminary needs and desires for arts hub
2015-16 Governance Committee

- Scott Aiges, New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Foundation
- Echo Olander, KID smART
- Sonya Robinson, Artist Corps New Orleans
- Asante Salaam, City of New Orleans
- Kyle Wedberg, New Orleans Center for Creative Arts

If you are interested in making a difference in New Orleans arts education, please consider participating on Any Given Child Committees by contacting anygivenchild@kidsmart.org
2015-2016 Initiatives

- **WORKSHOPS FOR EDUCATORS:**
  Four(4) high-impact, interactive arts education workshops led by Kennedy Center faculty are available for New Orleans educators (Spring of 2016). [http://kidsmart.org/workshops.html](http://kidsmart.org/workshops.html) for more information.

- **MUSIC MAPPING PILOT:** Artist Corps New Orleans will pilot a “Mapping Music” initiative to create a model for city-wide mapping of all arts education in 2016-17:
  - All public schools will be plotted on a map of the city.
  - Will create digital access for each school to see music programs, grades served and teachers.
  - Data will be crowd-sourced by music educators, and confirmed by administrators.
2015-2016 Initiatives

- COMMITTEE ACTION PLANS:
  Committees are structured around each of the 5 AGCNO Goals. Committee members will refine and implement Action Steps created during the planning process. Participants for committees are encouraged to contact anygivenchild@kidsmart.org.

- IDENTIFYING PROJECT DIRECTOR:
  Please watch for position posting (Spring 2016) and help share with ideal candidates!
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