

What the support of the Manatee River Artists Guild has meant to the teachers and students in Haile Middle & Freedom Elementary Schools - 2023

Carlos E Haile Middle School

Having the Manatee River Artists Guild supporting fine art at Haile Middle School has been tremendous! Acquiring supplies and maintaining funds for 200+ art students is a challenge. Because of the financial donations made to the school over the years, I have been able to purchase better quality acrylic paint, oil paints, canvases and new brushes as well as easels for the classroom.

Last year, I was able to purchase pottery wheels so I can now bring ceramics into the classroom for students. This year I plan to have students go on a field trip to the Ringling Museum of Art to provide an invaluable enrichment opportunity for the students. This could not have been accomplished without the support and kindness of Manatee River Artist's Guild.

Thank you.

**Joseph Gibson
Art Instructor
Haile Middle School**

Freedom Elementary School

Your generous donation has allowed me to purchase glazes to use on our pottery pieces. We have also been able to purchase beautiful neon paints and paper to add spark to some of our art. I have also been able to buy some enrichment activities, adaptive tools, and games to help our students that have disabilities or special needs. Our school is so very grateful for the support!

"Creativity is contagious, pass it on"- Albert Einstein

**Kristen Simpson
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