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Parkway Middle School is 1 of 4 Schools in the Nation Selected for Unique Program with World-Class Silkroad Musicians

Parkway Middle School is excited to be one of four schools in the country chosen to participate in *Silkroad Connect*, a yearlong project that uses the arts to support students' learning as they explore stories, cultures and music from African American, Chinese, Irish and Native American communities and their important roles in our country's history in building the transcontinental railroad.



The project is a partnership between [Silkroad](#), a touring ensemble of world-class musicians, and the [Kennedy Center Turnaround Arts](#), a national program that provides supplies, resources and high-profile Turnaround Arts artists to work with students and teachers to increase student achievement, attendance, and parent and community involvement.

The *Silkroad Connect* project kicks off on Thursday, October 7, 2021, at 1 p.m., via a virtual event with Silkroad musicians and students from Parkway Middle and the other three participating schools. Media are invited to visit Parkway Middle School to cover this event.

Parkway Middle School is a performing and visual arts magnet school and a science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics (STEAM) magnet school. It is also one of nine schools across Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) selected as Turnaround Arts schools. Additional Turnaround Arts schools include Atlantic West Elementary School, Bethune Elementary School, Broward Estates Elementary School, Colbert Elementary School, Flamingo Elementary School, Lake Forest Elementary School, North Andrews Gardens Elementary School and Walker Elementary School.

For more information, contact BCPS Turnaround Arts Coordinator Laura Glick at 754-321-2074.

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