



Fine Arts Flyer

Dear Arts Educators,

Congratulations arts educators on making it through another fantastic school year! In this month's edition of the Fine Arts Flyer, we spotlight the new K-12 dance program created this year at Lorain City School District, Oberlin City School District being honored with the Best Communities for Music Education designation and Amanda Blevins or Tri-Valley High School being nominated for the 2024 Music Educator Award by the Recording Academy and Grammy Museum. There are several opportunities highlighted to showcase student work and support arts programming. Be sure to check out the arts education podcasts featured in "Resources and Research" and the professional learning and meetup survey in "Professional Learning Opportunities."

Yours in collaboration,

Helen Buck-Pavlick, *Fine Arts Education Specialist*

Spotlight



Figure 1 – LEFT: Frank Jacinto Elementary School students practice the steps to a Cuban dance routine. RIGHT: The April 20 All-City Art Show allowed high school students to showcase a dance routine for the first time. Photos courtesy of Lorain City Schools

National Dance Education Organization Lauds Lorain Schools' Dance Program

The Lorain City School District developed and implemented a complete dance program in less than six months, opening this school year with nine dance instructors and classes in all 14 of the district's schools, making dance education accessible to about 6,100 K-12 students. The district leveraged ARP ESSER funds to respond to the community request to expand access to arts education; particularly requesting dance.

[Read the full article.](#)

Oberlin City School District's music education program receives national recognition

Lorain Morning Journal

Oberlin City School District has been honored with the Best Communities for Music Education designation from The NAMM Foundation for its outstanding commitment to music education, according to a news release. Now in its 24th year, the Best Communities for Music Education designation is awarded to districts that demonstrate outstanding achievement in efforts to provide music access and education to all students, the release said.

[Read the full release.](#)

Tri-Valley's Amanda Blevins nominated for music educator award

Zanesville Times Recorder

Amanda Blevins of Tri-Valley High School is one of 212 music teachers nominated for the 2024 Music Educator Award by the Recording Academy and Grammy Museum. Nominees are from kindergarten to college



across private and public schools. Candidates have made a significant and lasting contribution to the field of music education and demonstrate a commitment to the broader cause of maintaining music education in the schools. The quarterfinalists, who hail from 197 cities, were selected from more than 2,000 initial submitted nominations. In addition to the quarterfinalists, 123 legacy applicants from 2023 will also be eligible to win the award this year.

[Read the full release.](#)

Want to see a story about an outstanding art student, educator or program spotlighted in the Fine Arts Flyer? Send stories to Helen.Buck-Pavlick@education.ohio.gov.

Opportunities

Disney Musicals in Schools



Add a little magic to your classroom through Disney Musicals in Schools! Disney Musicals in Schools is an outreach initiative that develops sustainable musical theater programs for eligible Cuyahoga and Lorain County elementary schools. Four schools will be selected to participate in the 2023-2024 program free of charge. Any Cuyahoga, Lake, or Lorain County public elementary school, including public charter schools, with a student poverty level of 50% or higher (according to the Ohio Department of Education’s 2013 Typology Report) is eligible to apply. APPLICATION DEADLINE: AUGUST 11, 2023

Complete the following application (typed and signed) by August 11, 2023, and submit scanned via email to katelyn.merold@playhousesquare.org or via postal mail at:

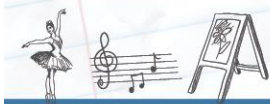
Playhouse Square
ATTN: Katelyn Merold
1501 Euclid Avenue
Suite 200
Cleveland, Ohio 44115-2108

[Download the application](#) or [Learn more about Disney Musicals in Schools at Playhouse Square](#)

Road Safety Art Contest



The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) announces the 2023 Road Safety Art Contest. This annual competition encourages students to use their creativity and talent to raise awareness of how to stay safe on our roads around large trucks and buses. The contest is open to four groups spanning grades K-12, with multiple creative submission categories. Inspiration: Students can view samples and learn more about large trucks and buses at the [FMCSA Kid Zone](#) and [Teen Zone](#). Winning artwork will best depict through original creativity how all road users—from cars, to bikers, to pedestrians—can stay safe around large trucks and buses, by staying aware of their big blind spots, long stopping distance, and wide turns.



Submission Deadline: June 10, 2023

HOW TO SUBMIT

1. Email submissions to fmcsa.outreach@dot.gov. Subject line must read: "2023 Road Safety Art Contest Submission: [Student's First and Last Name]."
2. All non-video entries must be submitted as a high-resolution photo or scan. Accepted file types include JPG, PNG, or PDF and must not exceed 10MB. For all video entries and non-video entries larger than 10MB, please submit via email with a file sharing link. Be sure to include the email subject line regardless of entry type.
3. The completed and signed entry form must be attached to the email. Digital signatures are acceptable, or the parent/guardian may print, sign, scan and email the form. For questions, please contact <mailto:fmcsa.outreach@dot.gov>

[Learn more about the Road Safety Art Contest](#)

ReelAbilities Film Festival Columbus Call for Short Films



ReelAbilities Film Festival Columbus presents films dedicated to normalizing and elevating disability in the film industry. On November 9, ReelAbilities Film Festival Columbus will present its Short Film Festival at the Columbus Main Library. ReelAbilities is seeking one Ohio short film to be shown in the line-up. A Call for Short films is open and accepting entries. The selected filmmaker(s) will receive \$100 and be invited to participate in a film talkback.

[Learn more about the festival](#)

[Film call guidelines and application](#)

Questions? Contact Lucas@ArtPossibleOhio.org

Nationwide Call for Student-Performing Artists



The U.S. Department of Education is seeking student performing artists who are interested in showcasing their talent, virtually or in person, at internal and external Department-hosted events. Additional information including frequently asked questions, submission instructions and other related guidance can be found on the [U.S. Department of Education's Call for Student Performing Artists](#) webpage. Artists that require a reasonable accommodation to complete their submission and/or answer any related questions can email studentart@ed.gov.



Updates from the Ohio Department of Education

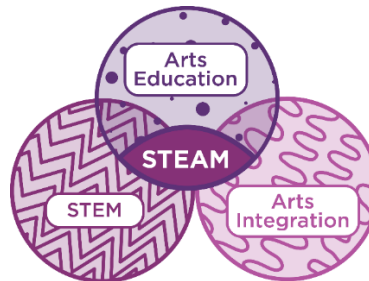
Ohio | Department of Education

Ohio Learning Standards for Fine Arts Updated Timeline

The drafts of Ohio's Learning Standards for Fine Arts are in the review stage and will be made available on the Department website upon adoption by the State Board of Education. The Department and Advisory Groups are in the process of addressing feedback to continue the approval process with the State Board in the spring. Upon adoption, Ohio's Learning Standards for Fine Arts will be shared via the Department mail delivery system GOV Delivery. Please feel free to sign up to receive updates. The Fine Arts list is located under Ohio's Learning Standards.

Resources and Research

New STEAM Resources



Arts Education Partnership defines STEAM education as an approach to teaching and learning in which students demonstrate critical thinking and creative problem-solving at the intersection of science, technology, engineering, ARTS and math. STEAM instruction shares attributes of arts education, arts integration and STEM education. STEAM learning occurs at the intersection of all three instructional practices. Learn more about STEAM by visiting the [Arts Education Partnership STEAM Resource Guide](#).

Questions about funding STEAM? [Opportunities for STEAM Education Through ESSA and Perkins V](#)

Arts Education Podcasts for Summer

Notables

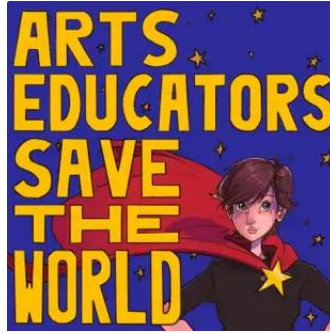


In each episode, Instructional Supervisor Noah Teachey sits down with leaders in the music, technology, finance and related industries to learn about the influential role that music has played in their lives.

[Check out Notables](#)



Arts Educators Save the World



On ARTS EDUCATORS SAVE THE WORLD, artists talk with host Erica Halverson alongside their teachers and mentors about how those collaborations made them who they are today.

[Check out Arts Educators Save the World](#)

Arts ARE Education “Talk It Up”



On the Arts ARE Education Podcast, Jim Palmarini talks to the national and state leaders who are building equitable access to the arts for all students. Episodes include interviews with national arts leaders who explore a variety of topics ranging from how to leverage ESSER and Title IV-A funds to support arts education, arts education data, learning standards in the arts and arts-integration.

[Check out “Talk It Up” by Arts ARE Education](#)

“Artle” – Daily Art Guessing Game



The Smithsonian American Art Museum (SAAM) is partnering with the National Gallery of Art for [Artle](#), a daily art guessing game. Every Wednesday through the summer months starting today, Artle will feature works from SAAM's collection for you to test your knowledge or learn something new. Join the millions of art fans who play this free game. Can YOU solve the first challenge?

[Play past Artles](#)



Success Story: Arts Education and ARP ESSER



Arts Education Partnership and the Education Commission of the States gathered success stories about how arts organizations, states, schools and other entities are using funding from the American Rescue Plan (ARP) and the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) to support arts education. For an [example of ESSER funds in arts education](#), read about how Arts Connect Houston is using funds to support sustainability through partnerships.

State and National Arts Education Association Updates

Upcoming Events and Conferences

June

- 6/14 [Ohio Teacher Leadership Summit](#)

July

- Smithsonian [National Education Summit](#) (Washington D.C. and Virtual)
 - Check out the STEAM and Arts Integration conference tracks!

August

- 8/9-10 Ohio Kennedy Center Collaborative: [Destination Arts Integration](#)

September

- 9/13-14 Arts Education Partnership [Annual Convening](#) (Portland, OR)
- 9/28-30 [Theatre Education Conference](#) (St. Pete Beach, FL)
- 9/29-10/1 National Dance Education Organization Conference: [TEACHING IS LEADING: Embracing our Impact & Opportunity as Dance Educators](#) (Denver, CO)

Professional Learning Opportunities

Professional Learning and Virtual Meetup Survey

Please complete the [Professional Learning and Virtual Meetup Survey](#) to assist the Office of Learning and Instructional Strategies to tailor professional learning and virtual meetups to align with the needs and interests of the field.

New Teacher Meetup

- Stay tuned for information about the 2023-2024 Cohort starting in the fall.

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