



# COLORADO ACADEMIC STANDARDS

## All Students All Standards

Visual and Performing Arts e-Update – December 2021/January 2022



**COLORADO**  
Department of Education

**CDE Announcement: Revised Colorado Essential Skills** The Colorado Academic Standards and the Post-Secondary and Workforce Readiness review and revision process provides an opportunity for the [Colorado Essential Skills](#) to be revisited and clarified. CDE brought together a cross-unit team of specialists to revise these skills to better align from preschool through postsecondary. This document is in draft form and in the process of refinement. CDE seeks feedback from the public. [Feedback](#) will be accepted until January 1, 2022.

## STANDARDS AND INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT

### Happy Holidays!

The SIS Arts Team at CDE would like to wish everyone a happy, healthy, and prosperous Holiday Season! May you enjoy relaxing downtime and have the chance to make many cherished memories with your family and friends.



### Standards Revision Public Feedback Closes January 1, 2022

The Colorado Academic Standards revision committees for the Visual and Performing Arts have released draft recommendations for revision of the academic standards. The feedback window was opened on November 12 and will close January 1, 2022. After reviewing the recommended revision documents below, you can provide feedback in one of two ways: 1) To provide detailed feedback on specific parts of each standard, use the online system link below. 2) If you are interested in providing general feedback about the recommended revision, you can send those through email at: [costandardsrevision@cde.state.co.us](mailto:costandardsrevision@cde.state.co.us)

[Provide feedback here after reviewing revision documents below.](#)

[Recommended Revisions for Dance \(PDF\)](#)

[Recommended Revisions for Drama/Theatre Arts \(PDF\)](#)

[Recommended Revisions for Music \(PDF\)](#)

[Recommended Revisions for Visual Arts \(PDF\)](#)

[Video tutorial for accessing and using the online feedback system.](#)



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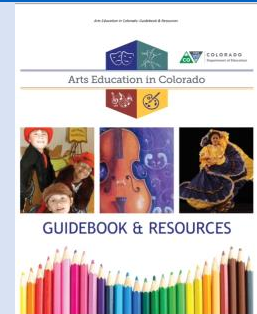
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### CDE Quick Links

[Arts Education Guidebook](#)



[CDE Arts Webpage](#)

### Colorado State Arts Partners

[Colorado Creative Industries](#)

[Think 360 Arts](#)

### Colorado Arts Associations

[Colorado Arts Education Association](#)

[Colorado Music Educators Association](#)

[Colorado Association for Music Curriculum and Instruction](#)

[Colorado State Thespians](#)

[Colorado Dance Education Organization](#)

## COLORADO HAPPENINGS



### **Creative Corps Grants**

The Think 360 Arts for Learning roster of professional teaching artists are ready to bring new and engaging programs rooted in SEL, Social Justice, and joy into your classroom. Think 360 Arts supports schools, educators, and students with programs that help reconnect students to learning and community. Our programs build:

- School Connectedness
- Sense of Belonging
- Positive School Climate
- Accessibility and Inclusion

Did you know that our programs can be funded through ARP ESSER III funds? Arts education is a critical element of a well-rounded education and has been recognized by the USDOE as a positive support for re-engaging students during this period of recovery. **Think 360 Arts also has subsidies available to support programming.** [Click here](#) to contact us and book a program!

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### **2021-22 Newman Center Education Programming and Discount Tickets**

The Newman Center is a multi-disciplinary arts venue at the University of Denver that provides innovative, diverse, and thought-provoking performance and education opportunities that enable the community to be engaged, inspired, and connected through the arts. This year the Newman Center is offering a wide range of student matinee performance that feature work from Latinx dance, multi-ethnic ballet, global jazz, and beyond for grades K-12. We are also bringing back our popular Musical Explorers program in partnership with Carnegie Hall which includes multi-lesson units from a global perspective, culminating in an interactive concert. Also, as a thank you to teachers for all that you do for students in the state, the Newman Center would like to offer \$20 tickets to select performances. Please use the promotion code NCPEDUCATE when purchasing your tickets. [Click here for more information](#) about our educational programming and productions at the Newman Center.



### **2022 Teacher Professional Development Workshop**

This Teacher Institute June 6-10, 2022 will dive into how you can use primary sources in your classroom in a variety of ways and subjects. Teachers, librarians, and educators in grades 3-6 should apply. This collaborative Institute is being sponsored by the [Molly Brown House Museum](#), [American Museum of Western Art](#), [Center for Colorado Women's History](#), and the [Clyfford Still Museum](#). The sessions will take place at all four institutions in conjunction with [Teaching with Primary Sources](#). [Click here](#) for more information and to submit a form of interest.



### **8<sup>th</sup> Annual Dance Education Conference January 15 & 16, 2022**

The Colorado Dance Education Organization will be held in person at Liberty High School in Colorado Springs on January 15 and 16, 2022. The CoDEO conference showcases student and professional choreographers, a wide selection of workshops for students and dance educators alike, scholarship opportunities, and continuing education credit for teachers. New to the conference this year is the Colorado All-State Dance Ensemble which will feature top dance students from across the state. **Online conference registration is open until January 8, 2022.** [Click here to register for the conference.](#)



## Colorado Ballet Virtual and In-Person Programs

Colorado Ballet is booking virtual and in-person programming for Spring 2022. From [student matinees](#) of *Romeo and Juliet* on February 3, 2022, and *The Wizard of Oz* on March 10, 2022, to [live streams, workshops,](#) and [assemblies](#). Visit our [website](#) today to learn more about performance and movement opportunities to get your students moving. Colorado Ballet's mission is simple...Every Body Dance!



## Shakespeare and Violence Prevention

The Colorado Shakespeare Festival is offering the Shakespeare & Violence Prevention program in a hybrid format for the 2021-22 school year. The program offers schools access to a filmed performance (a 30-minute *Twelfth Night* for grades 3-5, or a 45-minute *Julius Caesar* for grades 6-12), filmed onsite at CSF's historic Mary Rippon Outdoor Theatre in compliance with local public health guidelines. The actors from the production are available to lead classroom workshops (in-person or virtual), unpacking the patterns of violence and roleplaying solutions. The program integrates research from the Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence, aligns with 2020 Education Standards, and brings professional actors into your (virtual) classroom. Includes a study guide (available in English and Spanish), captioned performances for students to watch at their own pace, and a prerecorded workshop for students unable to attend the real-time lesson with the actors. Available through April 2022. Subsidies available. [Click here](#) for or details, and to schedule a visit.

## NATIONAL HAPPENINGS



### National Honor Society for Dance Arts (NHSDA)

NHSDA is a program of the National Dance Education Organization, created to recognize outstanding artistic merit, leadership, and academic achievement in students studying dance in public and private schools in K-12 education, dance studios, community centers, performing arts organizations, and post-secondary education. [Click here](#) to get more information and start a chapter today!



### Theatre Counts! A Special Report

Theatre education can help young people develop a strong sense of self and identity, build empathy and learning among peers and broaden the ways they make meaning of the world around them. Yet the [last comprehensive arts education study, examining the state of art education during the 2008-09 school year](#), found that only 4% of all public elementary schools offered theatre instruction, and less than 50% of public secondary schools offered theatre instruction during the school day. Additional [data](#) from a 2012 Americans for the Arts report suggest that fewer schools offered theatre courses during the school day (79% sampled) than offer extracurricular theatre (95% sampled). In addition, wealthier students are more likely to receive theatre education during the school day (41-56%) than students in schools with higher concentrations of poverty (28%). These numbers highlight a general lack of access to theatre education and underline the need for continued research and data collection. [Read more...](#)



### NAEA National Convention March 3-5

The largest gathering of visual arts, design, and media arts educators in the world is getting even larger! Join us for the 2022 NAEA National Convention happening both in person in New York City and virtually. Engage in hundreds of options for professional learning, connectivity, creativity, and inspiration no matter which format you choose! [Click here for more information.](#)

## UPCOMING DATES

### 2021/2022 Arts Education Events/Conferences

January 15 & 16, 2022  
January 26-29, 2022  
March 3-5, 2022  
March 11, 2022

CoDEO **In Person** Conference  
CMEA **In Person** Conference  
NAEA National Convention  
**Virtual** Think Tank Meeting 12:30-2pm

<https://www.co-deo.org>  
<https://cmeaonline.org>  
<https://www.arteducators.org/events>

