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FINE ARTS

Fine Arts Education includes the study of dance, media arts, music, theatre, and visual arts. The Georgia Standards of Excellence for Fine Arts provide a framework for sequential skill building in each arts subject area and teaches soft skills for students to use in other courses and in the future workforce.

The Georgia Standards of Excellence support the five art areas as academic subjects. Mere participation is not the same as education. The standards affirm that discipline and rigor are critical to high academic achievement. Performance-based assessment has long been used in the arts that include the practice of portfolio review in the visual and media arts and the assessment of performance skills through auditions used in dance, music, and theatre.

<https://www.georgiastandards.org/Standards/Pages/BrowseStandards/FineArts.aspx>

FINE ARTS HIGHLIGHTS

HS Fine Arts Career Pathways in Dance, Media Arts, Music, Theatre & Film, or Visual Art are achieved when a student achieves a passing score in three full credits of a single arts subject area. There is no end of course test or capstone for Fine Arts Pathways completion. A wide variety of elective courses are offered at Georgia schools at the secondary level in dance, media arts, music, theatre & film, and visual art and are chosen by local systems and schools to benefit their students.

Fine Arts Diploma Seals are available to Pathway completers who take the fourth year of an arts subject area, complete 20 hours or more of arts-related community service and submit a capstone project in high schools that have applied to award the Fine Arts Diploma Seal.

Fine Arts Opportunities in addition to classroom instruction, help students master Fine Arts content and skills such as local, regional, and national art shows, performances, and contests. Community arts partnerships and arts integration into core curricular areas are also part of student's Fine Arts education opportunities.

Educator Resources

Instructional Resources including curriculum maps, unit plans, lesson plans, presentations, videos, and assessments are available for K through 12 Music and Visual Art and Secondary Theatre & Film, and Dance through the GA Teacher Resource Link (TRL) inside the State Longitudinal Data System. A list of the courses with resources available is found on the GaDOE Fine Arts Website for reference.

<http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Curriculum-and-Instruction/Pages/Fine-Arts.aspx>

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