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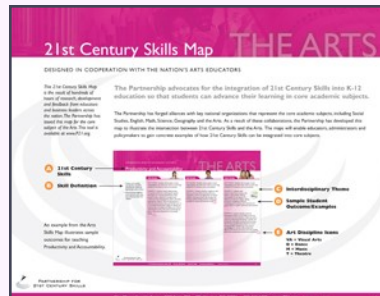
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21st Century Skills in the Arts

We are 15 years into the 21st century. A fascinating aspect of our work as educators is that we are constantly learning how we learn. Within research and practice, the field is sharing some incredible develop-

ments in learning and brain theories. Effective instructional practice highlights the need for multiple learning strategies, embedded meaningful feedback and assessments, as well as resources that effectively support engagement with the concepts.

In addition to these highlights, we have 21st century skills which focus on communication, critical thinking skills, creativity, and collaboration. These skills provide means of exploring the arts and all content areas. A resource for investigating these skills was



developed in 2010, the 21st Century Skills Map—The Arts. Check the resource to investigate the skills and see the examples provided, along with the additional resources for practice. The map shares how the arts (art, dance, media arts, music, and theatre) can

utilize the 21st century skills and build student knowledge while potentially fusing with other content areas. On page 2, each of the 21st century skills are showcased through arts classroom examples. Additional videos and articles exploring the 21st Century Skills through the arts is provided for your use within page 5 of this newsletter. Please continue to share your ideas and postings for future newsletter issues. Thank you for your work in arts education.



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"Kudos"

Congratulations to the Cedarburg High School Jazz Ensemble for being selected to perform at the recent 2015 Wisconsin Association of School Board Conference .



Congratulations to the Ripon High School Art Department who received a grant for a new pug mill through The Webster Foundation. The Webster Foundation has been instrumental in awarding grants and scholarships within the Ripon community helping teachers, students, churches, and many community programs over the years.



Additional education sites:
[Annenberg Learner](#)
[ArtsEdge: Multimedia](#)
[Art of Education \(AOE\)](#)
[BadgerLink](#)
[BBC Learning Zone](#)
[Education Closet](#)
[From the Top](#)
[MAM Teacher Resources](#)
[PBS Arts](#)
[Teaching Channel](#)
[Teaching Today](#)
[Watch Know Learn](#)
[Wisconsin Biographies](#)
[Wisconsin Media Lab](#)

Just in Time – Professional Development

21st Century Skills - the Four C's



Communication - Preschool Perspectives on Arts/Industry—1 minute 45 second video with preschool students describing the art they see at the Kohler Arts Center.



Critical Thinking - What is Critical Thinking? A Definition—3 minute video



Collaboration - Pen Beat Collaboration—55 seconds. Enjoy.



Creativity - Art Works: Integrating Creativity in the Curriculum - 6+ minute video

Creativity Education

What creative practices have you been using within your classroom to support student learning? Share by submitting ideas within the online site - Creative Classrooms for future issue consideration. Check the resources below.

- [DPI Creativity Education](#) website
- [National Creativity Network \(NCN\)](#)
- [WIFACE](#) diigo site

Creativity Education and Research - Online site with articles and videos about creativity in education.



National Coalition for CORE ARTS Standards

Arts Standards

The National Coalition for Core Arts Standards (NCCAS) and SEADAE launched the standards in June 2014. Wisconsin has not adopted these standards at this time. However, please review the standards in the areas of art, dance, media arts, music, and theatre, visit <http://www.nationalartsstandards.org/>. The current Wisconsin Academic Learning Standards are online at: [Art and Design Education](#), [Dance Education](#), [Music Education](#), [Theatre Education](#). **Districts are free to consider the new standards in their work if they choose.**

AGENCY DIRECTORS OF ARTS EDUCATION
STATE EDUCATION

Disciplinary Literacy Arts Sessions

The Tip Sheet provides DL Arts Examples

See the calendar online at the Fine Arts Professional Development site. Sessions are posted. Please contact [Julie Palkowski](#) if your district is interested in discussing face-to-face, online, or networking options.

Check document, WI DPI Text Types. This includes informational text such as: music, art, and media resources. Share this with your colleagues.

DISCIPLINARY LITERACY IN THE ARTS
Tip Sheet

Disciplinary Literacy (DL) - Wisconsin Definition
 "Disciplinary literacy is defined as the confluence of content knowledge, experiences, and skills merged with the ability to read, write, listen, speak, think critically and perform in a way that is meaningful within the context of a given field."

Reading

Thinking

Listening

Speaking

Writing

Performing

What does DL mean for arts education?
 For DL, the definition supports the continual building of skills, knowledge, and techniques while focusing on the art form's discipline. The skills identified will be learning students experiences with the arts through exploring, creating, responding, and performing.

Disciplinary Literacy is NOT...

- the only route for content area reading (literacy) work.
- for language arts only.
- "the call" to replace general reading strategies (Kuhlthau, 2013).
- focused on every teacher's reading teacher (Peggie Lally, et al., 2010).

Disciplinary Literacy IS...

- aimed at what we teach versus how we teach.
- exploring the content knowledge, experiences, and skills needed to develop proficiency.
- a set of skills (reading, writing, listening, speaking, thinking, and performing) to support a focus in depth study of a content area.

The arts have unique symbolic systems of communication, allowing people across countries, cultures, and time to connect. The brain takes in these symbols which may include letters, numbers, lines, colors, and various images and makes meaning of the ideas. The symbols are representative ideas and messages for the learner to decipher. The "disciplinary user" receives opportunities for the learner to interpret and then apply through exploring, creating, responding, and performing.

Visit past newsletter issues 2012-13 #7 & #8 to learn more about DL and "Informational Text."

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SLOs in the Arts

Resources and online materials:

- [Student Learning Objectives in the Arts PD site](#) provides all session materials and extension activities for learning.
- Fine Arts and Creativity newsletter issues - 2013 Issue #3, Issue #4
- [SLO in the Arts - Tip Sheet](#)
- [SLO Toolkit](#)
- [Wisconsin DPI SLO Site](#)
- [Updated Template \(Version 7\)](#)
- [Template and Critical Friends Document](#)
- Wisconsin arts SLO examples and rubrics for:
 - [Art](#)
 - [Choir](#)
 - [Dance](#)
 - [Instrumental Music](#)
 - [General Music](#)
 - [Theatre](#)
- [Disciplinary Literacy SLO Rubric Examples](#)



Music in Our Schools Month

Youth Art Month



Check some of the ideas to celebrate music in your school.

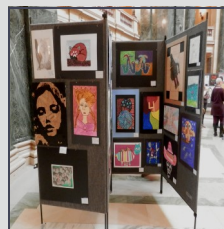
- [Capitol Concerts](#) – WMEA
- [The Concert](#)- NAFME resource
- [What states did for MIOSM in 2011](#)
- [Webinar MIOSM examples](#)
- [Daily Music Fact](#) (available each day in March, NAFME Facebook site.)
- [Public Service Announcements \(PSA\) for Music In Our Schools](#)

Deerfield ES Choir - Oak Creek Franklin School District



Check some of the ideas to celebrate art in your school.

- [WAEA- YAM](#) information
- [WAEA website](#)
- [NAEA Youth Art Month Overview](#)



Youth Art Month - Capitol Exhibit

Congratulations to the student artists who had their artwork on display during the Youth Art Month exhibit at the State Capitol in Madison. Additional awards were given during the YAM Exhibit Closing Ceremony on March 6, 2015. Visit the [website](#) to see the students mentioned for these awards. A special thank you to the West Salem Middle School Band who performed for the ceremony. This group is under the direction of band director, Ryan Waldhart.

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) selects two pieces each year from the Youth Art Month exhibit to highlight within the state agency building. Student work is selected, matted, framed, and exhibited at DPI near State Superintendent Tony Ever's office. Artwork is then returned to the student artists. A gallery of past award winning artwork is on permanent display within the 3rd, 4th, and 5th floors of the Wisconsin DPI in Madison, WI. These pieces are a constant reminder of the incredible talent, creativity, and persistence of our student artists, as well as the educators and families who support their skills and knowledge in art.



YAM Performers - West Salem MS Band

This year's DPI Award winners include:

Clare Thompson, Grade 10 of Stratford High School
 Artwork Title - *Tools of the Trade*
 Art Teacher - Cynthia Maly-Beraneck

Brooklyn Green, Grade 4 of Paperjack Elementary
 Artwork Title - *Painted Paper Collage*
 Art Teacher - London Casey



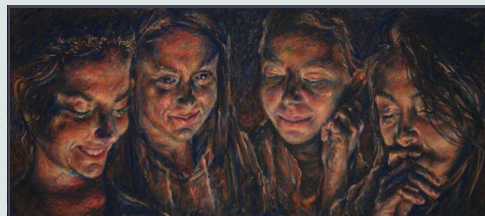
DPI AWARD
Thompson– Stratford HS



DPI AWARD
Green – Spence ES

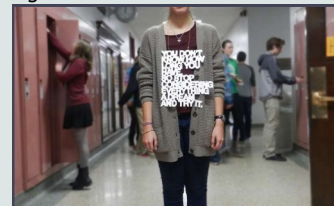
Scholastic Awards - WAEA Awards

Liu of Waukesha South HS - Circle of Friends



Congratulations to the students who have submitted their artwork for the [2015 Scholastic Art Awards: Wisconsin Exhibition](#). This show is at the Milwaukee Art Museum and available for viewing from February 7– March 22, 2015. [Sample Pieces of 2015 Exhibit](#)

Krieger of Shorewood HS - The Dream



The Wisconsin Art Educator Association top honor awards went to Maggie Liu, Waukesha South HS and Samantha Krieger, Shorewood HS.

Cluster A School Board Retreat

The Cluster A Group, a consortium of seven school districts in Wisconsin: Altoona, Augusta, Eleva-Strum, Fall Creek, Gilmanton, Mondovi, and Osseo-Fairchild, hosted a school board retreat, highlighting arts education in Wisconsin. The evening included videos of arts performances, an art exhibit from each of the districts, as well as a session facilitated by WI DPI Fine Arts and Creativity Education Consultant, Julie Palkowski. The session provided information to the school board members, Superintendents, and school staff about WI Arts Education, as well as a few hands-on activities investigating disciplinary literacy through the arts. A special thank you to Cluster A Coordinator, Cheri Bresina, the participants, and hosts for the opportunity to share about arts education.



Augusta School District



Fall Creek School District



Gilmanton School District



Mondovi School District



Altoona School District



Osseo-Fairchild School District



Dr. Julie Palkowski
facilitating arts ed. session



Eleva-Strum School District



Cluster A School Board Retreat -
Focus on the Arts Session



Cluster A Art Exhibit

Please share
how your
school is
celebrating
Music in Our
Schools Month
and Youth Art
Month within
the Kudos link.

School Highlights



Chippewa Falls HS -
Band Rehearsal



Chippewa Falls HS -
Peer art critiques



Fall Creek HS -
Guitar lesson



Fall Creek HS -
Sculpture project



Chippewa Falls HS -
Ceramics class



Chippewa Falls HS -
Choir Rehearsal



Fall Creek ES -
Music sharing/singing

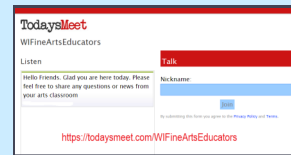


Fall Creek HS -
Treble Choir rehearsal

Virtual Office Visits



Participate within an online office visit. Ask questions, listen, and share with Julie Palkowski and other fine arts colleagues. You can stay for the entire time or just a few minutes. The visit is Wednesday, April 22, 2015, from 7:30am - 8:30am and 12:00pm - 1:00pm. Scan the QR code or go to the Today's Meet site - WIFineArtsEducators.Tutorial

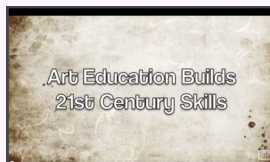


21st Century Skills Resources

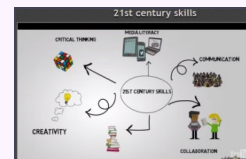
Check these online resources for your work in understanding and implementing 21st century skills in your arts classroom. If you have ideas and additional materials to share within a future newsletter, please contact Julie Palkowski.



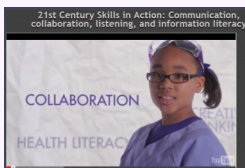
[Kennedy Center Article](#)



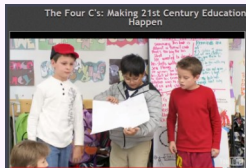
[Art Education builds 21st Century Skills - 3+ minute video](#)



[21st Century Skills - 2 minute video](#)



[21st Century Skills in Action - 4+ minute video](#)



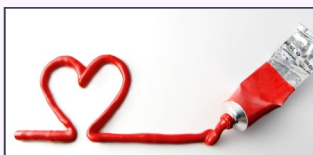
[The Four C's: Making 21st Century Education Happen - 8 minute video](#)



[Honing 21st Century Skills in a Digital World - The NafME article with tips from Matt McVeigh, Fond Du Lac Band Director.](#)



[Commercial Arts - 21st Century Skills - 5 minute video about Chaska MS work to integrate 21st century skills.](#)



[Embracing the 21st Century – The Age of Art and Heart - Article written by Dr. Julie Palkowski, WI DPI.](#)



[The Skills Connection Between the Arts and 21st-Century Learning - EdWeek](#)

Arts Organization News



[Music Listening Project](#) - focused on listening activities with different musical styles, forms, and timbres for students in grades 4-6.



[Wisconsin Arts Board news](#)

[Alliance for Wisconsin Theatre Educators](#)

[WAEA, Visual Arts Classic, Youth Art Month MAS Project - Click here to read A Note from the Founder, Frank Juarez and WAEA conference presentation.](#)



[The Wisconsin Dance Council](#) - Highlights and education news

[Wisconsin School Music Association; classroom honors activities](#)



[Music Education News & Information - NafME](#)



[Visioneers Design Challenge](#)

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[WIFACE](#) - arts education diigo links



State Superintendent News

Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction updates are provided online. Highlights recently posted include:

[DPI Site](#) - latest news and links

[Agenda 2017: Every Child a Graduate, College and Career Ready](#)

[DPI ConnectEd](#) - arts articles

- [Art/Music Month](#) (March 2015)
- [Lessons from an A Cappella Group](#) (October 2014)
- [Music and Art News](#) (March 2014)
- [Student Contests - Art, Photography...](#)(February 2014)
- For [past fine arts education related postings](#), click the link.



Events

- [WI DPI Fine Arts Professional Development Calendar](#)
- [WIFineArtsEducators](#) - Virtual office visits:
Apr. 22, 2015, from 7:30am-8:30am and 12:00pm-1:00pm
May 19, 2015, from 7:30am-8:30am and 12:00pm-1:00pm
- [Band Festival](#), Wisconsin Dells, April 23-25th, 2015, [registration](#)
- [Milwaukee Art Museum events and educator resources](#)
- [UW Stevens Point Dance Productions, Programs, Details](#)
[Danstage 2014](#), [Point Tap Festival](#)
- [VSA Wisconsin Events](#)
- [WCME Center Events, Professional Development Events](#)
- [Woodson Art Museum Teacher Resource Guide](#), Wausau
- [Youth Art Month Regional Events](#)

NEW Fine Arts Professional Development

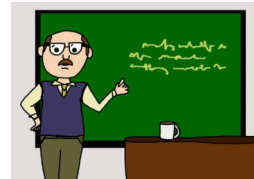
Visit the Fine Arts PD site for articles, resources, and videos focused on Fine Arts Education topics. Please share your suggestions for the site. Contact [Julie Palkowski](#) for additional options.

DPI Fine Arts Sites

- [Fine Arts and Creativity Education](#)
- [Fine Arts Pedagogy; Teacher Licensure](#) - fine arts
- Wisconsin Academic Standards posters:
 - [Art and Design](#)
 - [Music](#)
 - [Dance](#)
 - [Theatre](#)

Teacher Licensure Arts Educator Information

Check this site for specific [Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction arts area](#) (art, dance, music, and theatre) education information about certification and licensing.



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