Wisconsin students attending public schools have the opportunity to take part in fine arts throughout the state in the areas of: art and design, dance, media arts, music, and theatre. The fine arts areas are essential components of a quality comprehensive education.

### 2013-14 WI Fine Arts Course Enrollment by Category (7-12th Grade)

- **Music** (47.6%)
- **Art** (46.1%)
- **Theatre** (2.6%)
- **Media Arts** (2.4%)
- **Arts Misc.** (0.8%)
- **Dance** (0.5%)

**Total Enrollment**: 412,740 (7-12th Grade)

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### Early Childhood

Learning standards are identified and share strategies to support students being able to “express self creatively through music, movement, and art.”

*Source: Wisconsin Model Early Learning Standards*

### K-6th Grade

Art and music instruction is required for all students in grades kindergarten through 6. Wisconsin art and music classes within kindergarten through sixth grade are taught by or under the direction of a licensed teacher for the respective areas.

*Source: Wisconsin Statute 121.02 Curriculum Standards*

### 7-12th Grade

Art and music instruction for pupils in grades 7 through 12 are taught by a licensed teacher of the respective area. Art and music instruction shall be available to all pupils in grades 7-12. Dance and theatre may be offered as an elective.

*Source: Wisconsin Statute 121.02 Curriculum Standards*

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### Resources for Educators

- **Wisconsin’s Model Academic Standards**
  - Art and Design
  - Dance
  - Music
  - Theatre

- **Online Networks**
- **Websites**
- **Newsletters**
- **Professional Development**
Wisconsin Arts Education in Action

Examples of arts programs by congressional district.

1. Janesville School District, Integrated Dance Unit
2. Beloit School District, Integrated Music Unit
3. LaCrosse School District, Theatre Activities
4. Milwaukee Public Schools, Art Class
5. Waukesha School District, Jazz Quintet Performance
6. Ripon School District, Souper Bowls Project
7. Hayward, Rice Lake, Cumberland, Bloomer, Barron, Chetek-Weyerhaeuser School Districts, Honor Band
8. Door County Show Choir Camp, Sturgeon Bay

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