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ESSA - What does this mean for arts education?

On December 10, 2015, President Obama signed the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) into law. This piece of legislation continues the focus on equity and access in education across the nation since the 1965 Elementary and Secondary Education Act was enacted. At that time, this law provided the largest federal aid to K-12 schooling. Here is a brief overview of this bipartisan work. Additional details and links to more in-depth analysis from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction and arts organizations is offered within this newsletter, page 4.



"With this bill, we reaffirm that, fundamentally American ideal - that every child, regardless of race, income, background, the zip code where they live, deserves the chance to make of their lives what they will."
— President Barack Obama

After 51 years since the implementation of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, the idea of equity and access to quality educational resources and programming continues to be a part of our conversations. The resulting federal programs in each of the Title areas provide varying types of support to foster opportunities for all. Today's retooling of the initial idea for access and equity now seen in the Every Student Succeeds Act 2015, offers opportunities

for more content areas than initially mentioned in past legislation, No Child Left Behind Act, 2001. There is a common thread for each of these laws, accountability. ESSA continues the pursuit of offering all students a quality education through a method of holding schools accountable for greater access and equity. The new law defines a well-rounded education for students which includes the arts and offers potential opportunities which had not been

previously available in past legislation. Much of the new law will go into effect in the 2017-18 school year. For a look at this law, visit the WI

Department of Public Instruction page.

Thank you for your patience as the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction reviews the law and it's application to all content areas, including the arts.
-Julie



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"Kudos"



Congratulations to the participants of the Milton Show Choir Invitational hosted in Milton, WI, in January 23, 2016. [Website](#); [Twitter](#)



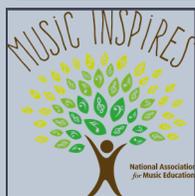
Congratulations to Suzanne Imhoff of St. Croix Falls. She became a Nationally Board Certified Teacher in Adolescent -Young Adult Art education.

Please share how your school will celebrate Music in Our Schools Month and Youth Art Month within the Kudos link for March 2016.



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](#)

Just in Time – Professional Development



Music in Our Schools Month is celebrating 31 years. Here are ideas for classroom, school, and community involvement. [Website](#)



Check the National Art Educators Association site for Youth Art Month activities. Ideas for celebrating Youth Art Month are available within this link. [Ideas](#)

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](#)

[eSchool News Article](#) written by Cathy Houchin, Music Teacher in Watertown
[6 Fun Tools to Teach Creativity in Music](#)



SLOs in the Arts

Resources and online materials:

- [Student Learning Objectives in the Arts PD site](#)
- Newsletters- [2013 Issue #3](#), [Issue #4](#)
- [SLO in the Arts - Tip Sheet](#)
- [SLO Toolkit](#); [Wisconsin DPI SLO Site](#)
- [Updated Template \(Version 7\)](#);
- Arts SLO examples, rubrics:
 - [Art](#)
 - [Choir](#)
 - [Theatre](#)
- [Disciplinary Literacy SLO](#)



- [Dance](#)
- [Instrumental Music](#)
- [General Music](#)



Arts Standards

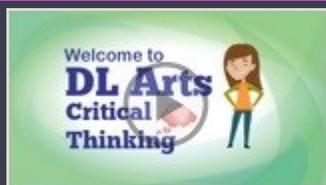
The National Coalition for Core Arts Standards (NCCAS)

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.**



Disciplinary Literacy - Arts

Click on the boxes below to learn more about DL tools in the Arts.



Disciplinary Literacy is comprised of six tools to investigate each content area. Check the videos showcasing each tool with classroom ideas. For additional information click on the [Tip Sheet](#), [DL Arts Rubrics](#), and newsletter issues [2012-13 #7](#) & [#8](#). Each month a DL tool will be highlighted with strategies for the arts classroom.

Writing in the arts involves composing and arranging music, creating images to convey a message, arranging a sequence of movement in choreography, and plotting out the blocking of a play in theatre. These are just a few ways "artists" write. Here are some other ways "artists" write. They create:



- MIDI Sequences*
- Critiques*
- Scripts*
- Art Compositions*
- Choreography Notes*



Here are lesson ideas from Wisconsin Arts Teachers.

Feel free to email each person with additional questions about the ideas. If you would like to share a strategy for future newsletters, please submit these at the ["From the Field."](#)

From the Field

Title - Hello Dolly - Musical

Shared by – [Carrie Baker](#) of Ronald Wilson Reagan College Preparatory High School in Milwaukee

Description – The students of Reagan presented the musical, Hello Dolly, hosting middle school students at one of it's performances. A special guest, Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett, also attended a performance.



Title - Music Express Video Mash UP Contest

Shared by – [Therese Gartland](#) of School District of Beloit

Description – The students learned a Music Express song called "All In" with John Jacobson's choreography. Our video was selected and included within a mash up in the [Music Express Magazine Youtube](#) site.



Title - [Polls Everywhere](#) Class Critique

Shared by – [Jennifer Handrick](#) of Chippewa Falls

Description – Formative Assessment: I use a "send a sandwich" format poll and have one student put their artwork in the easel at a time. The poll is projected so that students and everyone else can see all of the feedback. This is a very efficient format where students see a lot of feedback in a very little amount of time. Everyone has a voice and doesn't have to speak out loud. All feedback is anonymous.



Next Month is **Music in our Schools Month** and **Youth Art Month**. Consider how you will be celebrating with your students. There are many activities listed within this issue to give you a few ideas. Please share your schools activities by submitting to the [From the Field](#) link. We will be highlighting districts' arts education activities in the March issue. Thank you for your work in arts education.



The Visioneer Design Challenge is a statewide program in the design arts that fosters creativity, community involvement, civic and environmental responsibility, empathy, meaningful cross curricular learning and collaboration, heightened visual awareness, esthetic organization and judgment. Students work to solve a long-term challenge in design areas. Learn more about the UW Milwaukee event on April 22nd, where students work with designers in the field. For more information, visit site: [Visioneer WAEA Site](#), [Wisconsin page](#), [Creativity Challenge](#).

Music in Our Schools Month

Check some of the ideas to celebrate music in your school in March 2016.

- [Capitol Concerts](#) – WMEA
- [Music In Our Schools Month](#)
- [Webinar MIOSM examples](#)
- [Daily Music Fact](#) (available each day in March, NAFME Face book site.)
- [Public Service Announcements \(PSA\) for Music In Our Schools](#)
- 60 second PSAs are available for use from music celebrities such as Harry Connick Jr., Boys II Men, Martina McBride, and Keith Lockhart to name a few.
- Wanna Play Music – Music advocacy site [Just Play 2013 Video 1 minute PSA](#)



Youth Art Month

Check some of the ideas to celebrate art in your school in March 2016.

- [WAEA- YAM](#) information
- [WAEA website](#)
- [NAEA Youth Art Month Overview](#)
- [YAM State ideas](#)
- YAM Exhibit Closing Ceremony – State Capitol Rotunda March 11, 2016, from 12:00-1:00 PM



Every Student Succeeds Act

Visit these links of organizations who offer analysis of Every Student Succeeds Act's implications for arts education. This act was signed into law in December 2015 by President Obama and is based on bipartisan work.



[WI Department of Public Instruction - ESSA](#)



[U.S. Department of Education - ESSA](#)



[Americans for the Arts - ESSA](#)



[National Association for Music Educators - ESSA](#)



[National Art Educators Association - ESSA](#)



[Educational Theatre Association - ESSA](#)

“WELL-ROUNDED EDUCATION - The term ‘well-rounded education’ means courses, activities, and programming in subjects such as English, reading or language arts, writing, science, technology, engineering, mathematics, foreign languages, civics and government, economics, arts, history, geography, computer science, music, career and technical education, health, physical education, and any other subject, as determined by the State or local educational agency, with the purpose of providing all students access to an enriched curriculum and educational experience.” SOURCE: [Every Student Succeeds Act](#) page 807



[U. S. Department of Education Title II A](#)

PD for Arts Educators

Fine Arts Educator professional development sessions are listed below. Click the links to register. If your district is interested in hosting a session with [Julie Palkowski](#), please contact directly.

- [Disciplinary Literacy in the Arts / Fine Arts Assessment, 2/15/16, 9am-3pm, Monona Arts Education Online Resources, 2/18/16, 4-5pm, Wausau](#)
- [Disciplinary Literacy in the Arts / Fine Arts Assessment, 2/19/16, 8:30am-3pm, Antigo](#)
- [Leaping into the Fine Arts, 2/29/16, 8:30am-3pm, CESA 7 Green Bay](#)

VSA Wisconsin – Call for Art



VSA Wisconsin, an organization that celebrates the artistic achievements of children and adults with disabilities, is issuing its annual statewide Call for Art to students with disabilities ages 5-21. A jury of art professionals will review the work. The submission deadline is February 15, 2016. Applications and more details are available on VSA Wisconsin's website at http://www.vsawis.org/exhibitions_sales/call_for_art/. All artists submitting to the Call for Art will have their work displayed in a public exhibition April 18 – May 7 at the VSA Wisconsin Gallery in Madison. A reception for the artists and general public will be May 7 from 2-4 p.m.

Arts Organization News



[Wisconsin Arts Board News](#)



[Arts Wisconsin](#)



[NEA](#)



[Kennedy Center](#)



[The Wisconsin Dance Council;](#)

[Wisconsin School Music Association; NAFME](#)



[Alliance for Wisconsin Theatre Educators](#)



[AATE EdTA](#)



[WAEA, Visual Arts Classic, Youth Art Month, Visioneers Design Challenge, MAS Project; NAEA](#)



[NDEO](#)

Introducing Wisconsin Resources...

Wisconsin has several arts organizations which work to nurture the arts in the state. Check the two listed below for additional resources and opportunities. Several of their resources focus on arts education and support community connections to schools. There are programs and grants listed within the sites for each of these organizations. If you have additional organizations to suggest highlighting for future newsletters, please contact [Julie Palkowski](#).



Wisconsin Arts Board



Mission Statement:

The Wisconsin Arts Board is the state agency which nurtures creativity, cultivates expression, promotes the arts, supports the arts in education, stimulates community and economic development and serves as a resource for people of every culture and heritage.

Links

- [Grant Programs](#) - Various grant opportunities for multiple areas of focus in the arts.
- [Arts Education Task Force Work](#) - Describes WI work in arts and creativity in schools and communities.
- [Folk Arts in Education](#) - Shares cross-disciplinary, active-learning approaches to education.
- [Portal Wisconsin](#) - Highlights the state's culture, arts, humanities and history.
- [Wisconsin Poetry Out Loud](#) - Recitation contest for high school students supported by the Wisconsin Arts Board, The Poetry Foundation, and The National Endowment for the Arts.

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Arts Wisconsin

Mission Statement :

To serve the people of Wisconsin and enrich communities, as the voice for the arts in Wisconsin. Arts Wisconsin is the only independent statewide organization providing a leadership forum for advancing the local and statewide creative economy, integrating the arts and creativity in education, educating entrepreneurs and activists, and engaging policy-makers and the public as a catalyst for dialogue, information, and action.



Links

- [Advocacy and visibility](#) for the arts, arts education and creative economy
- [Arts and Creativity in Education Resource Center](#)
- [News from Arts Wisconsin](#) – our monthly newsletter
- [ArtsPeers Advisory Network](#) - Conferences, meetings and assistance for the arts on the local level
- [Wisconsin Creative Summits](#) – check out the 2016 schedule of Summits

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[Inclusive Arts Education](#)



[Music Education and Research](#)



[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



Events

- [WI DPI Fine Arts Professional Development Calendar](#)
- [WIArtsEducators](#) - Virtual office visits:
Feb. 10, 2016, from 7:00am-8:00am and 3:00pm-4:00pm
Mar. 10, 2016, from 7:00am-8:00am and 3:00pm-4:00pm
- [Scholastic Art Awards - Milwaukee Art Museum](#),
Jan. 30th—March 13, 2016
- Arts At Large - Milwaukee, [Events](#)
- 2016 College Board Award for Excellence and Innovation in the Arts, deadline - April 18, 2016. [Application](#)
- Tony Award—Excellence in Theatre Education Award - Nominate a teacher. [Details](#)
- [UW Stevens Point Dance Productions](#), [Tickets](#)
- [VSA Wisconsin Events](#) ; [VSA National Program Events](#)
- VSA International Young Soloists Competition - deadline February 10, 2016, [Details](#)
- WYSO Percussion, Madison, April 16, 2016, [Details](#)
- [WCME Center Events](#)
- [Woodson Art Museum Teacher Resource Guide](#), Wausau
- [Youth Art Month Regional Events](#)

Past Newsletter Issues

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](#)
 - [Dance](#)
 - [Music](#)
 - [Theatre](#)

Getting Connected

Join a WI DPI Arts Google Community. Set up a free [Gmail account](#) and search within the [Google Communities](#) for art, dance, media arts, music, or theatre.

