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ArtScan

Highlighting State Arts Education Policies

Our 2025 **ArtScan** update is now live! This year's update includes the latest state policies supporting arts education from all 50 states, the District of Columbia and the Department of Defense Education Activity. ArtScan includes a **two-page summary** of the policies, **state policy profiles** and a **comparison tool**.

Call for Proposal Office Hours

Are you interested in how to craft a **strong proposal** for the Annual Convening? AEP Director Jamie Kasper and AEP Assistant Director Mary Dell'Erba will virtually host a breakout session design office hours from 3–4 p.m. EDT on April 10. In the session, they will share tips on crafting a competitive breakout session proposal for this year's Annual Convening. At the end of the office hours, participants can ask additional questions about the proposal process. **Click here** to register for this workshop!

Governors' Education Priorities in 2025

Each year, governors' State of the State addresses give leaders a look at the year to come for state education policy. To date, 49 governors have signaled policy priorities across the education spectrum to support students and schools in all stages from early care and education to the workforce.

To keep you in the know, our Education Commission of the States colleagues

identified seven education-related trends and introduced an emerging trend that 17 governors mentioned this year. Learn about it all in their **Special Report** in collaboration with the **National Governors Association**.

News From Our Partners and Affiliates

Arts Integration as a Cultural Bridge in Schools

Join Chicago Arts Partnerships in Education (CAPE) for its upcoming CAPE Dialogue: **Arts Integration as a Cultural Bridge in Schools**, April 14 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. CDT. In this virtual conversation, Chicago Public School principals, CAPE teaching artists and teachers will engage in dialogue about navigating the evolving demographics of their neighborhood schools. They will explore the impacts and opportunities presented by these shifting community landscapes and examine how schools can foster equitable learning environments.

Arts Ed Leadership Academy

Applications are open for Arts Ed Collaborative's **Arts Ed Leadership Academy**! This 10-month program supports a cohort of educators in the Southwest Pennsylvania to build their leadership skills and culturally responsive practices. The program starts with a five-day summer intensive July 14-18 with follow-up virtual and in-person sessions throughout the school year.

Applications are due **May 2**.

NAMM Foundation Music Research Grant

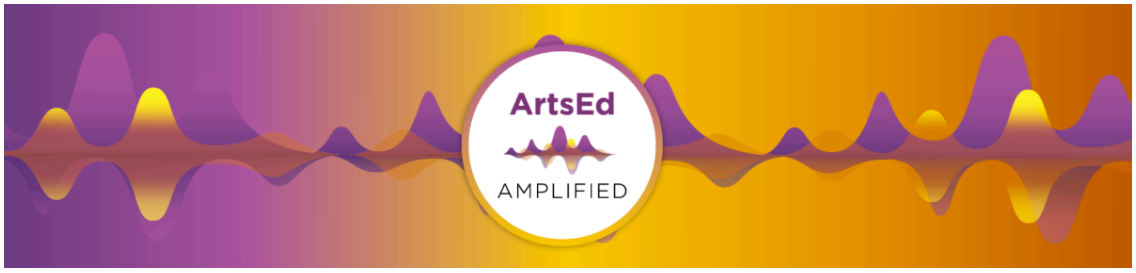
The NAMM Foundation's **music research grant** applications are now open! Through its grantmaking initiative, The NAMM Foundation provides support to high-impact organizations across the globe that create more music makers. Grants awarded in the current cycle will focus on research that improves practices for music education, support music makers and enhance workforce development.

Applications are due **June 26**.

Three New Resources From the Wallace Foundation

The Wallace Foundation shares evidence-based resources with the intention of inspiring the change we hope to see in education and in the arts. It recently released three resources that highlight the importance of community relationships in learning.

- **Stitching Together the Threads**
- **Well-being and Well-becoming Through the Arts**
- **Lessons from Rural Communities: How Two Districts Are Reinventing Summer Learning**



Check out these ArtsEd Amplified posts to learn more about what our community is working on!

- **Educating Ourselves About Childhood Arts Experiences** by Sunil Iyengar
- **An Easy Way to Bring Art & SEL Outcomes to Your Students** by Bethany Logan
- **Find Connection With AEP's Partnership Directory** by Krystal Johnson

Are you eager to share your work with others? **Submit your idea** for ArtsEd Amplified!

Events

- **ABLE Assembly** | Berklee College of Music, April 11-13, Boston, MA
- **2025 NAfME Music Program Leaders Forum** | National Association for Music Education, April 23-24, Hartford, CT
- **2025 State of the Arts in Education Symposium** | Arts Connect Houston, April 24, Houston, TX
- **AAM Annual Meeting and MuseumExpo** | American Alliance of Museums, May 6-9, Los Angeles, CA
- **2025 AAAE Conference** | Association of Arts Administration Educators, May 22-25, Pittsburgh, PA
- **Education Showcase** | EdVestors, May 21, Boston, MA
- **AFTACON** | Americans for the Arts, June 11-14, Cincinnati, OH
- **Theatre Education Conference** | Educational Theatre Association, June 22-24, Bloomington, IN
- **2025 National Arts Integration and STEAM Conference** | The Institute for Arts Integration and STEAM, July 8-9, Baltimore, MD
- **NDEO 2025 National Conference** | National Dance Education Organization, Detroit, MI, Oct. 4-6

Career Opportunities

FYI: to support and encourage **sustainable hiring practices**, AEP only includes career opportunities that include a salary/compensation in the job posting.

Northeast

- **Executive Director** | Theatre for a New Audience, New York City, NY

Midwest

- **Executive Director** | South Bend Symphony Orchestra, South Bend, IN
- **Executive Director** | Northern Clay Center, Minneapolis, MN

South

- **Artistic Director and Department Chair, Peabody Children's Chorus** | Peabody Preparaty of John Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD
- **Director of Community Relations** | Ballet Pensacola, Pensacola, FL
- **Assistant Director** | Lessons in Your Home, Houston, TX
- **Executive Director** | RiverCenter for the Performing Arts, Columbus, GA
- **Senior Director of Education & Community Engagement** | Carolina Theatre of Durham, Inc., Durham, NC
- **Executive Director of Programming and Production** | Forest Forward, Dallas, TX

West

- **Director, Statewide Arts Initiative** | California County Superintendents Educational Services Association, CA
- **Arts and Culture Director** | City of Mesa, Mesa, AZ
- **Native Arts and Cultures Foundation** | Vice President of Community Impact, Portland, OR
- **Creative Director and Lead Instructor** | Oregon Coast Dance Conservatory, Brookings, OR

ArtsEdSearch

Did you know? A 2015 study on music composition in high schools found that performance is not the only measure of a student's musical ability. Many students with lower performance skills created more complex compositions than performance-inclined students. Read more about the study at **https://ow.ly/iCYF50VwcQI** | **#ArtsEdSearch**

Have news to share?

Please submit a 100-word summary via **email**.

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