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Policy Update

AEP tracks state legislation in five arts education areas. There have been 31 total arts education-related bills introduced by state legislators in:

- Curriculum/standards (15)
- Graduation requirements (5)
- Teacher certification (1)
- Assessment (0)
- Other (10)

The ten bills captured in the “other” category include a bill related to an arts education grant program in **Missouri** and a bill related to research on defining “best practices” for students in music programs in **California**. There has not been significant arts education legislative activity this quarter and there are currently only seven legislatures in regular session. All other states are adjourned or have no regular session this year.

Take the AEP Annual Survey Today!

Only a few weeks left to take the **Annual Survey**! The information collected through this survey will let us evaluate our past and help direct our future work. You are all experts in your experiences, and your feedback is truly invaluable to AEP and the decisions we make.

And don't forget to save the discount code after completing the survey to receive a 10% discount on registration for the **AEP Annual Convening**.

News From Our Partners and Affiliates

2025 National Arts Integration and STEAM Conference

Registration is open for the **2025 National Arts Integration and STEAM Conference**! This conference is the largest two-day conference dedicated to the latest strategies for arts integration and STEAM in K-12 classrooms, schools and districts. With inspiring keynotes, educational breakouts, innovative product and service demos, hands-on workshops, along with unique networking and entertainment experiences, it's a can't-miss event for anyone looking to elevate their professional growth.

Become a National PTA Leader

National PTA is seeking candidates to **stand for election** during the National PTA Convention in June 2025. The available positions include:

- Six members for the Board of Directors (2025-28 term)
- Three members for the Nominating and Leadership Recruitment Committee (2025-28 term)

Letters of interest are due by **Oct. 1**.

Arts Experience Funding for Baltimore City Schools

Are you looking for funding to expand arts programming in your Baltimore City school? All Baltimore City Public Schools are eligible to apply for up to \$2,500 in funding to **support arts experiences** including field trips, performances and teaching artist residencies. Applicants should review the Arts Every Day **Arts Directory** for approved partners and programs.

Applications are due **Nov. 22**.

News From the Field

How Rhode Island is Tackling Student Absenteeism

Student absenteeism continues to be a top concern for policy makers. Chronic absenteeism soared to a pandemic peak of 30% — more than one in four American public-school students missing more than 10% of the school year.

FutureEd recently published **Team Sport: Rhode Island's Statewide Strategy for Reducing Chronic Absenteeism**. This new report follows how **Rhode Island** is working with cross-sector partners to get students back to school.



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

- **The Arts Educator Workforce** by Mitra Chamanbahar
- **What's New in Arts Education Policy?** by Daizha Brown
- **The ESSER III Deadline Explained** by Mary Dell'Erba

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

Events

- **2024 Annual Convening** | Arts Education Partnership, Sept. 12–13, Pittsburgh, PA
- **2024 Biennial NAfME Music Research and Teacher Education Conference** | National Association for Music Education, Sept. 25–28,

Atlanta, GA

- **Theatre Education Conference** | Educational Theatre Association, Sept. 26–29, Minneapolis, MN
- **2024 Arts Schools Network Annual Conference** | Arts Schools Network, Oct. 22–25, Washington, D.C.
- **2024 Adding Voices Conference** | Adding Voices, Nov. 8–10, Philadelphia, PA
- **2025 National Arts Integration and STEAM Conference** | The Institute for Arts Integration and STEAM, July 8-9, 2025, Baltimore, MD

Career Opportunities

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

Northeast

- **Director of Public Programs** | Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston, MA
- **Executive Director** | Museum Search & Reference, Racine, NH
- **Executive Director** | Northeastern Pennsylvania Philharmonic, Wilkes Barre, PA
- **Executive Director** | Hook Arts Media, New York City, NY
- **President & CEO** | Hanover Theatre & Conservatory, Worcester, MA
- **Director of Learning and Community Engagement** | Manhattan Theatre Club, New York City, NY

South

- **Executive Director** | Fine Arts Center Partners, Greenville, SC
- **Executive Director** | Washington Revels, Greater Washington, D.C. Area
- **Director of Education and Community Engagement** | Performing Arts Houston, Houston, TX

Midwest

- **Operations & Education Assistant** | ProMusica Chamber Orchestra, Columbus, OH
- **Executive Director** | Fargo Moorhead Symphony Orchestra, Fargo, ND

West

- **Education and Community Engagement Teaching Artist** | Colorado Ballet, Denver, CO

Multiple Locations

- **CEO** | Americans for the Arts, Washington, D.C. or Remote
- **President and CEO** | Washington, D.C. or Palo Alto, CA



Did you know? A 2010 study found that teaching-artists' artistic practices positively influence their teaching style and significantly contribute to students' artistic processes and the classroom learning environment. **#ArtsEdSearch** | <https://ow.ly/ef6h50T77Gj>

Have news to share?

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

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