

Wednesday, Oct. 9

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## Join the AEP Advisory Council!

We are so thankful to the members of our Advisory Council who are finished with their service at the end of the calendar year! We greatly appreciate the direction and support they offered.

With this transition, AEP is now looking for new members for our advisory council. If your organization is interested in informing AEP's work and outreach efforts, please email [Krystal Johnson](mailto:Krystal.Johnson@artseducationpartnership.org). We are seeking organizations in the following topic areas:

### **Organization function**

- Business and industry
- Higher education
- Research
- Capacity building

### **Issue Areas**

- STEAM
- Arts education data
- Health/Wellness
- Teacher retention and recruitment
- Social justice/equity/culturally responsive pedagogy



Join us for the next **Town Hall for Local Arts Education Supervisors** on **Thursday, Oct. 17** from **2:30-4 p.m. MT/4:30-6 p.m. ET**. During this town hall, you'll get a sneak peek of the findings of that report, which provide a picture of data available at the local, state and national levels. We'll also focus on gaps and barriers identified by working group members.

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## **News From Our Partners and Affiliates**

**New Dear Colleague Letter From the U.S. Department of Education**

Last week, the U.S. Department of Education (ED) released a **Dear Colleague letter** to clarify federal funding opportunities for arts education within the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The release of this Dear Colleague letter reflects ED's ongoing commitment to arts education. With this guidance, arts educators and administrators have the necessary clarity to fully realize the opportunity that ESSA presents to include the arts as a part of a well-rounded education.

This development is a momentous occasion for the arts education field and represents the hard work of **advocates** and ED staff. We're grateful for their leadership on this effort!

AEP invites you to **reach out** with questions related to this announcement. Our team looks forward to playing a role in facilitating connections between our community and the U.S. Department of Education.

## **Apply to Be a Board Member for the National Guild for Community Arts Education**

The National Guild for Community Arts Education is currently seeking new **board members**. They are looking for passionate, innovative leaders who are committed to advancing community arts education and who can help guide the guild into the future. Its board is committed to championing the transformative power of community arts education to build an equitable, just world through advocacy, leadership development and peer learning.

Learn more about the board responsibilities and process in **this guide**.

Applications are due **Oct. 11**.

## **2025 National Arts Integration and STEAM Conference Call for Proposals**

Are you interested in **sharing your ideas and expertise** with K-12 educators next summer? The The Institute for Arts Integration and STEAM is now accepting proposals for its 2025 conference. The conference aims to share the latest strategies for arts integration and STEAM in K-12 classrooms, schools and districts.

Proposals are due **Oct. 31**.

## 2025 Annual AAE Conference Call for Submissions

The Association of Arts Administration Educators is currently **accepting submissions** for its 2025 conference. The theme of the conference is "Confluence of Cultures." This year's focus on confluence builds upon last year's theme of intersections, pushing the idea further by emphasizing collective action for positive systemic change, from the classroom to cultural organizations and policy-making. Educators, scholars, researchers, practitioners and students are invited to submit proposals.

Submissions are due **Jan. 13**.

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## News From the Field

### Webinar: Rhode Island's Statewide Strategy for Reducing Chronic Absenteeism

Join FutureEd on **Oct. 15** for a **webinar** exploring Rhode Island's innovative cross-sector, data-driven approach to improve chronic absenteeism. Under the leadership of Gov. Daniel McKee, the Rhode Island Department of Education has built a statewide coalition of mayors, business leaders, hospitals and other stakeholders beyond the state's education ecosystem to get students back to school—a strategy that is yielding impressive early results.

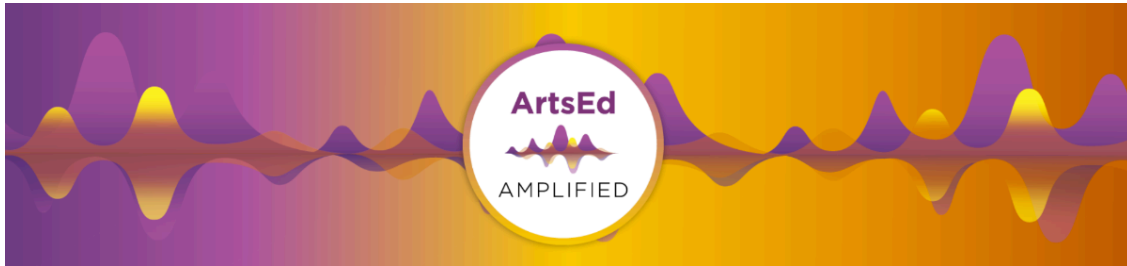
The event features Gov. Daniel McKee, Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education Angelica Infante-Green, Newport Mayor Xay Khamsyvovravong and Partnership Rhode Island Executive Director Tom Giordano.

### Early Math Fall Forum

Register today for the **Early Math Fall Forum**, taking place on **Oct. 29!** This virtual forum focuses on the powerful role of play in children's growth and

development. After the keynote session, Promoting Guided Play Through STEAM Learning, you'll choose between five breakout sessions exploring STEAM, play and child development.

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

- **Standing in the Gap** by Elizabeth Maughan
- **The Arts Educator Workforce** by Mitra Chamanbahar
- **What's New in Arts Education Policy?** by Daizha Brown

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

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## Events

- **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
  - **ABLE Conversation Symposium** | Berklee College of Music, Nov. 23, Boston, MA
  - **2025 ASTA National Conference** | American String Teachers Association, March 19-22, Atlanta, GA
  - **ABLE Assembly** | Berklee College of Music, April 11-13, 2025, Boston, MA
  - **2025 National Arts Integration and STEAM Conference** | The Institute for Arts Integration and STEAM, July 8-9, 2025, Baltimore, MD
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## 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

- **Executive Director** | American Visionary Art Museum, Baltimore, MD
- **Executive Director** | Hook Arts Media, New York City, NY

### South

- **Curator of Education, K-12** | Oklahoma State University Museum of Art, Stillwater, OK
- **Curator of Education, Academic Initiatives** | Oklahoma State University Museum of Art, Stillwater, OK
- **Vice President, Education and Community Engagement** | Richmond Symphony, Richmond, VA
- **Executive Director** | Fine Arts Center Partners, Greenville, SC

### Midwest

- **Executive Director** | Regina Klenjoski Dance Company, Wichita, KS
- **Program Coordinator, Arts Education** | Chicago Public Schools, Chicago, IL
- **Executive Director** | Wisconsin Youth Symphony Orchestras, Madison, WI
- **Program Director – Cultural Affairs** | City of Chicago, Chicago, IL

### West

- **Education and Outreach Coordinator** | NW Dance Project, Portland, OR
- **Executive Director** | Yakima Symphony Orchestra, Yakima, WA
- **Program Manager, Outreach and Education** | Montalvo Arts Center, Saratoga, CA
- **Director of Education and Public Engagement** | Huntington Library, Art Museum, and Botanical Gardens, San Marino, CA

### Multiple Locations

- **President and CEO** | Learning Policy Institute, Washington, D.C. or Palo Alto, CA



Did you know? Researchers found that teaching artists' artistic practice positively influenced their teaching style and significantly contributed to students' artistic processes and the classroom learning environment.

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## Have news to share?

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

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