

# INNOVATION CONFIGURATION

# Applied Learning — Fine Arts

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## **Purpose**

The Applied Learning Department offers professional learning activities around diverse initiatives that are intended to engage students and help them make connections between what they learn in school and how that knowledge is used for real purposes, both in school and out of school. With the founding principle that student engagement in learning is essential to academic success, these initiatives are designed to inspire students, raise their level of interest, commitment, and motivation toward success in and out of school. Applied learning activities and projects may be planned by teachers or arise naturally from student interests; they may be closely aligned with the standards of one domain or course or may incorporate skills and knowledge that cut across several courses. Projects may involve a whole class, small group, or individual learners; they may take only a few hours or may extend to long-term projects. They may also incorporate cooperation and competition, as appropriate to learner needs. What all applied learning initiatives have in common is that they involve students working to develop skills and create solutions that addresses real-world needs, going beyond grades and standardized tests to experience the sense of relevance and purpose.

Within the Applied Learning Department, the Fine Arts include the disciplines of Visual Art, Music, Theater and Dance. Visual Arts encourage creativity and self-expression that carry over into other content areas. Through an integrated, interdisciplinary approach, the visual arts provide a safe environment for the students to share their voice in a variety of mediums. We are committed to working collaboratively to continue to build and sustain the best arts programs possible. Music and the performing arts engage learners in developing passion for the arts, self-esteem, self-discipline, cooperation, creativity and motivation necessary for success. The skills and technical qualities involved in creating, recreating and interpreting works in the fine arts provide for lifelong appreciation. In addition, theater education provides students with an outlet for self-expression using multiple performing arts mediums. It is the only art form that combines all the performing arts, frequently within one production.

The plan for professional development is driven by the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards in Visual Art, Music, Theater and Dance, and incorporates Florida Standards relevant to delivery of quality instruction in the Arts. The Florida Department of Education has identified specific standards related to each arts course, accessible through the Florida Department of Education CPALMS website.

#### **Needs Assessment**

The need for professional learning in the Fine Arts is determined by review of data from 2019-2020 professional learning evaluation including workshop completion, feedback results, evaluation surveys, and witnessed implementation. It was reported that all feedback reported in evaluation surveys was positive in that teachers either agreed or strongly agreed that the content covered was necessary and beneficial to their specific content. On average, 65% of the target audience completed each follow up activity. Through our coaching and mentoring process, we witnessed new learning being delivered in fine arts classrooms evident through portfolios and observed performance.

The need for professional learning in the Fine Arts is as well determined and monitored by a review of the data in student enrollment in visual and performing arts courses, participation in district arts exhibitions and performances. The goal is to increase student enrollment and success in advanced placement fine arts classes, including AP Art History, AP Studio Art, and AP Music Theory, as

measured by student grades and AP examination pass rates. Student data for the 2018-2019 school year are below:

Course Title	AP Enrollment	AP Grade A B	AP Exam Passing
AP Art History	196		53.6%
AP Music Theory	87		34.5%
AP Studio Art: 2-D	423		84.2%
Design Portfolio			
AP Studio Art:	168		92.9%
Drawing Portfolio			
AP Studio Art: 3-D	42		73.8%
Design Portfolio			

The tables on the following pages describe the Desired Outcomes for professional learning in support of each role associated with this Innovation Configuration. The Desired Outcomes below are aligned with the Big Ideas in the Florida Next Generation Sunshine State Standards (NGSSS) for Fine Arts.

# **Desired Outcomes and Performance Indicators**

### 1.0 Fine Arts Teachers

1.1 Desired Outcome: Critical Thinking and Reflection. Desired Outcome: Implement strategies for critical and creative thinking, self-expression, and communication to support standards-based learning in the arts classroom while incorporating social and emotional learning to support a safe and supportive environment.

Performance Indicators			
Level 4	Level 3	Level 2	Level 1
Facilitate the critiquing	Engage students in	Engage students in	Begin to employ
process (describe,	evaluation techniques that	critique about their work	strategies for creative/
analyze, interpret, and	require justification of	and the work of others	critical thinking and self-
evaluate) to include	artistic products and	with constructive	expression to support
cognitive and reflective	processes to summarize	discussion about the	Florida Standards/BEST
analysis of artistic	and explain connections	production and problem-	Standards and arts-based
products and processes,	to other content areas.	solving process.	learning.
applying or transferring			
knowledge from other	Create problem solving	Engage students in	
content areas to support	opportunities that allow	discussion and discovery	
and defend conclusions	students to formulate	of the arts production	
and judgments.	decisions in arts	process to show evidence	
	production and creation	of understanding.	
Challenge students in	to show evidence of		
decision making and	artistic growth.		
problem solving			
throughout the arts			
production process to			
support, measure and			
assess outcomes.			

1.2 Desired Outcome: Innovation, Technology and the Future. Apply and effectively communicate 21st Century Skills to drive creativity and artistic problem solving, supporting innovation and artistic risk taking to stimulate the imagination and prepare students to compete in a global economy.

Performance Indicators			
Level 4	Level 3	Level 2	Level 1
Model the integration of	Incorporate technical	Apply 21st Century Skills	Begin to include 21st
all 21st Century Skills in	fluency in the delivery	in the delivery of	Century Skills that
the delivery of instruction	and implementation of	instruction that include	support innovation and
that require high levels of	21st Century Skills that	collaboration, innovative	risk taking to stimulate
cognition,	include collaboration,	thinking and	the imagination and
communication,	innovative thinking and	organization.	prepare students for
collaboration, innovative	organization.		success in a global
thinking, organization,			economy.
and technical fluency.			

1.3 Desired Outcome: Skills, Techniques and Processes. Refine and master technical skills related to their specific arts content area to further develop skills, techniques and processes that support learning, creation, mastery and refinement through purposeful practice as a part of high-quality instruction.

## **Performance Indicators**

Level 4	Level 3	Level 2	Level 1
Evaluate multiple forms	Use student work to	Deliver technical skills	Begin to exhibit technical
of documentation that	exhibit documentation	learned in training with	skills related to their
technical skills, refined	that technical skills	evidence of student	artistic form to further
through training, were	refined through training	growth through	develop skills, techniques
delivered, as evidenced	were delivered. Structure	performance and/or	and processes that
through student	lessons to support artistic	portfolio. Provide	support learning.
performance and/or	exploration and	opportunities for artistic	
portfolio, showing student	experimental learning	exploration in the	
growth in their art form	Practice artistic processes	classroom. Differentiate	
over time. Promote	that include focusing on	artistic processes related	
student engagement in the	and sequencing	to focusing on and	
process of artistic	information in the	sequencing information	
exploration, experimental	creation of a fine arts	(and cumulative steps) in	
learning and creating in	form.	the creation of a fine arts	
the fine and performing		form.	
arts. Challenge students			
to continually practice			
and reinforce essential			
artistic processes that			
include remembering,			
focusing on and			
sequencing information in			
the creation of a fine arts			
form.			

Data Collection Plan: [First Audience]			
Level of Measurement	Instrument/Data Type	Frequency	Responsible for Collecting Data
1. Participants' Reactions	Workshop participation, completion Teacher Feedback	1x/workshop	Workshop facilitators
2. Participants' Learning	PD-Embedded Assessments Teacher Pre-/Post-Tests	1x/workshop	Workshop facilitators
3. Organizational Supports	Communication with school administrators Organization of exhibitions, performances	1x/year	District records
4. Participants' Practice	Teacher Observations Teacher Surveys	1x/year 1x/year	Applied Learning Applied Learning

	Enrollment in fine arts courses		Student Assessment and
	Samples of portfolios and		Research
	performances Participation in		Curriculum Supervisors
5. Student Outcomes	performances Participation in District	1x/year	Advanced Academics
	exhibitions Student surveys		
	Enrollment and examination scores in		
	AP Art History AP Studio Art, AP		
	Music Theory		

# **Evaluation Plan**

Level 1. Participant Reactions				
<u>Audience</u>	Mid-Year Evaluation	End-of-Year Evaluation		
Fine Arts Teachers	Workshop participation, completion Teacher Feedback	Summary of workshop feedback		
	Level 2. Participant Learn	ing		
<u>Audience</u>	Mid-Year Evaluation	End-of-Year Evaluation		
Fine Arts Teachers	PD-Embedded Assessments Teacher Pre-/Post tests	Review evidence of learning from PD		
Level 3. Organizational Support				
<u>Audience</u>	Mid-Year Evaluation	End-of-Year Evaluation		
Fine Arts Teachers	Communication with school Administrators	Summary report of District exhibitions, performances, competitions		
Lev	Level 4. Participants' Use of New Knowledge and Skills			
<u>Audience</u>	Mid-Year Evaluation	End-of-Year Evaluation		
Fine Arts Teachers	Lesson Plans, Reflections, Observations	Annual Teacher Survey Summary of Teacher Reflections		
Level 5. Student Learning Outcomes				
Level of Impact	Mid-Year Evaluation	End-of-Year Evaluation		
Fine Arts Teachers	Enrollment in fine arts courses Participation in performances and competitions Participation in District exhibitions Student surveys	Samples of portfolios and performances Enrollment and examination scores AP Art History, AP Studio Art, AP Music Theory Examination Results		