

Curriculum Standards for 6-12 Dance

The Background:

State of Tennessee Rules, Regulations and Minimum Standards for the Governance of Tennessee Public Schools (0520-01-03-.05, State Curriculum, Requirement D) states

The State Board of Education shall adopt curriculum standards for each subject area, grades K-12. The standards shall specify learning expectations and include performance indicators. The approved standards shall be the basis for planning instructional programs in each local school system. Adopted textbooks shall be aligned with state curriculum standards.

The current dance curriculum standards for grades 6-12 have been in place since the 2001-2002 school year. The Department of Education has now completed a standards revision process for 6-12 dance.

The six-year textbook adoption cycle includes fine arts in 2011. Approval of the new curriculum standards will enable the Tennessee Department of Education to provide an approved set of standards for guidance with this process.

The Master Plan Connection:

This item supports the State Board's *Master Plan* by providing a quality dance curriculum that has been developed in accordance with the national standards in dance.

The Recommendation:

The Department of Education recommends adoption of the 6-12 dance curriculum standards on final reading. The SBE staff concurs with this recommendation.

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