



ACCESSIBILITY TO MUSIC IN SCHOOLS

Accessibility: School day accessibility to music education program should be ensured across the state. MMEA recommends that the Missouri State Board of Education strengthen comprehensive and sequential music instruction in all elementary, middle and high schools.

TEACHER EVALUATION

Teacher Evaluation: Music Educators should be evaluated by qualified individuals utilizing reliable measures germane to their field.

DESE FINE ARTS POSITION

The MMEA recommends that the Missouri Legislature establishes and funds a full time position of Fine Arts Consultant in Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

STEM TO STEAM

The MMEA recommends that the current STEM Initiative (Science, Technology Engineering & Mathematics) be expanded to include the Arts (STEAM) in order to support the innovation and creativity necessary for students to be successful in the 21st Century.

CHARTER SCHOOL

MMEA believes that all charter school curricula be consistent with best practice in education, and provide students with a comprehensive education, including access to sequential, standards-based music education taught by instructors fully certified in music education.

STUDENT TEACHING CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

MMEA supports intensive experiences for student teaching with adequate experiences across grade levels.

NATIONAL CORE MUSIC STANDARDS

MMEA supports the adoption of the new National Core Music Standards. The National Standards for Arts Education are a statement of what every young American should know and be able to do in four arts disciplines-dance, music theatre, and the visual arts. Their scope is grades K-12, and they speak to both content and achievement.