

### Your Question:

1. What is the status of academic standards and teacher certification for dance in each state?
2. What are licensure assessment requirements to become a dance educator in states where dance certification exists?

### Our Response:

AEP staff members used information from state education agency websites to update an existing NDEO spreadsheet focused on dance teacher certification and to add information about dance standards. The updated spreadsheet begins on page 2. AEP staff members did not include information about dance certification related to career and technical education, as these programs tend to be available only at the high school level and are usually not aligned to state academic standards. An analysis of the information found the following:

#### **1. Every state and the District of Columbia have academic standards for dance.**

Thirty-six of 51 states have standards aligned to the National Core Arts Standards. Four states (AZ, CA, IL, and VA) have standards that are not aligned to the National Core Arts Standards. Four states (AK, HI, MS, and SD) do not have standards for dance.

State	Standards			Licensure			Other information
	Link to standards	Aligned to NCAS	Date of most recent update	Dance certification in state	Type of certification	Certification assessment requirements – dance	
Alabama	<a href="#">Arts Education Courses of Study</a>	Yes	2017	Yes	Full	edTPA Performing Arts	
Alaska	<a href="#">Alaska Arts Standards</a>	Yes	2016	No			
Arizona	<a href="#">Arizona Academic Standards in the Arts</a>	Yes	2015	Yes	Full	Arizona Educator Proficiency Assessment Subject Knowledge: Dance	
Arkansas	<a href="#">Arkansas Fine Arts Academic Standards</a>	Yes	2020	No			Listed in state licensure areas chart, but no current licensure. ARDOE employee confirmed only technical permit through CTE exists for now.
California	<a href="#">California Arts Standards for Public Schools</a>	Yes					

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Florida	<a href="#">Next Generation Sunshine State Standards</a>	No	2010	Yes	Full	None	
Georgia	<a href="#">Fine Arts Georgia Standards of Excellence</a>	Yes	2018	Yes			

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Maryland	<a href="#">Maryland State Fine Arts Standards</a>	Yes	2016	Yes	Full	None	
Massachusetts	<a href="#">Massachusetts Arts Curriculum Framework</a>	Yes	2019	Yes	Full	Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure: Dance	
Michigan	<a href="#">Michigan Merit Curriculum</a>	No	2011	No			Dance endorsement area phased out in January 2018
Minnesota	<a href="#">Minnesota K-12 Academic Standards in Arts Education</a>	Yes	2018	Yes			

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Virginia	<a href="#">Virginia Standards of Learning Documents for 0.7A Fine Arts</a>	No	2020				