

# What is Arts Integration?

Arts Integration is an **instructional approach** that strengthens curricular connections, increases student engagement, and enhances student learning.

## How it works..

- Provides **natural, meaningful connections** between art forms and other curricular area based on shared or related processes.
- Promotes **active engagement and inquiry** through seamless blending of content between an art form and a co-curricular subject.
- Creates classroom learning in each content area that has **depth and integrity** reflected by imbedded standards, objectives, and assessments.

## Why it works...

- **Increases motivation, engagement,** and challenge for diverse learners from delayed to gifted
- Facilitates **differentiated instruction**
- Connects to **brain research**: students make more connections and create varied pathways to learning
- **Increases rigor through critical thinking and problem solving**
- Makes the curriculum more **authentic**, hands-on and project based, interdisciplinary
- Provides opportunities for **cross cultural understanding**
- Creates opportunities for varied **assessment**
- Fosters **collaboration and teamwork** and **creativity and innovation**