



Arizona State Seal of Arts Proficiency

Foster creativity and achievement.

Signed into Arizona law in 2019, the goals of the seal are to:

- Celebrate students who demonstrate elevated levels of proficiency in the Arizona Arts Education Standards through personal expression and creative experiences in arts education programs
- Identify pathways of artistic literacy that cultivate skills for 21st century success
- Prepare students for college and career readiness, including active participation in the creative industries sector
- Promote increased access to well-rounded, high-quality arts education across the state

Did you know?

In 2022, the Arizona arts and culture sector represented over 79,005 jobs. The State Seal of Arts Proficiency provides a pathway to prepare students with the 21st century skills they need to succeed in the creative industries and with attributes necessary to flourish in their personal and professional lives.

Each Seal of Arts Proficiency that is earned by a graduate of your school contributes .5 red or blue CCRI points (max 1 point per student) to the College and Career Readiness Indicator under the A-F Letter Grade Accountability System.



July 20, 2026
Application open



September 15, 2026
Application due



October 1, 2026
Notification of application status



To qualify for the seal, students will complete:

- Qualifying Arts or CTE courses with a GPA of 3.0+ on a 4.0 scale, or equivalent
- Credits from chosen artistic discipline(s) – dance, music, theatre, visual arts or media arts – or approved CTE program
- 80 hours of arts-related extracurricular activities
- A student-led capstone project, a culmination of learning in chosen artistic discipline(s)

Figure 1: The Sleepy Sunny Afternoon - Nitya, BASIS Peoria, 2026 ADE Youth Arts Month Festival