

Links & Threads Hotlist

Research

Arts Education Partnership

www.aep-arts.org

Select “Resources” then “Research” for a list of important arts education research compendia, including *Critical Links* and *Champions of Change*. Also, learn more about *Third Space: When Learning Matters*, a three-year study of ten schools that have been transformed by the arts, and *Arts Integration Frameworks, Research & Practice*, a 2007 literature review.

National Endowment for the Arts

www.arts.gov

Includes the reports *Arts and Civic Engagement: Involved in Arts, Involved in Life* and *Reading at Risk: A Survey of Literary Reading in America*.

National Assembly of State Arts Agencies

www.nasaa-arts.org

Download *Critical Evidence: How the Arts Benefit Student Achievement*, a concise overview of research. Also available is the monograph *An Introduction to Scientifically Based Research*, which is an invaluable reference for those who want to look more critically at research studies.

James Catterall

www.gseis.ucla.edu

Select “Faculty” then Catterall’s name to get to some of his recent papers about the cognitive, social and emotional impact of learning in the arts.

Harvard Project Zero

www.pz.harvard.edu/

Contains links to a number of research projects related to arts learning.

Center for Educator Development in Fine Arts

www.cedfa.org

Select “Strengthen Fine Arts Programs” then “Program Support” to search for studies suggesting links between arts learning and other achievement areas. You can search by arts disciplines and subject areas.

American Music Conference

www.amc-music.org

Select “Music Research” to see lists of studies that refer to the value of music learning.

MuSICA Research Notes

www.musica.uci.edu

Readable commentary and analysis on how music impacts learning and behavior. Authored by University of California neurobiologist Norman M. Weinberger.

New York Academy of Sciences

www.nyas.org

Select “ebriefings” then “Browse All.” One of the most popular briefing papers is “From Mirror Neurons to the Mona Lisa: Visual Art and the Brain.”

Advocacy

Americans for the Arts

www.americansforthearts.org/public_awareness/

Select “The Facts” to access a list of bullet points related to impacts of arts education. The site also includes free pdfs that advocates can use in newsletters, posters and other advocacy campaign activities.

Keep Arts in Schools

<http://www.keepartsinschools.org>

Assists advocacy by reporting national opinion research on arts integration. The Ford Foundation is the sponsor.

Education Commission of the States

www.ecs.org

Click on “Education Issues”-->”K-12 Issues”-->”Arts Education.” Resources include the 2005 report on the Governor’s Commission on Arts in Education and the ECS Artscan Database, designed to help states identify policy options for improving arts education.

Economic Impacts of the Arts & Creativity

Americans for the Arts

ww3.artsusa.org

Click on “Research & Information” to get to links on the impact of creative industries.

National Center for Education and the Economy

www.ncee.org

Access a *Time* article on the new report *Tough Choices for Tough Times*, or order the report.

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Click on “artworks” to get to a set of links called the “Creative Economy Resource Center.”

Center for Arts and Culture

www.culturalpolicy.org

Click on “Education and the Creative Workforce” for several reports and resources.

Partnership for 21st Century Skills

21stcenturyskills.org

Read a report based on how leading high tech and creative companies define the skills future workers will need.

Professional Development

Annenberg Media

www.learner.org

Contains multimedia resources that can be used in high school or college classes or for teacher professional development. Includes workshops on teaching the arts.

Institute for Education and the Arts

www.edartsinstitute.org

Click on “Best Practices” for transcripts of principals’ round table dialogue on arts education and arts integration.

Curriculum Development and Teaching Resources

Poetry Out Loud

www.poetryoutloud.org

A national competition for poetry memorization and recitation. Web site provides a curriculum and extensive resources for teachers and students.

The Poetry Foundation

www.poetryfoundation.org

News, reviews, and events related to poetry, along with an archive of poems that can be searched by subject, occasion, or author.

Project Zero—Artful Thinking

www.pz.harvard.edu/tc

Describes Project Zero’s “Artful Thinking,” an approach for arts integration designed to help strengthen thinking and learning in all subjects.

Arts Integration

The ArtsLiteracy Project

www.artslit.org

Based at Brown University, the ArtsLiteracy Project provides ideas for developing literacy through the arts.

Coalition of Essential Schools

www.essentialschools.org

Click on “Curriculum” to find interesting articles on integration and essential questions.

Chicago Arts Partnership in Education (CAPE)

www.capeweb.org

The Chicago Arts Partnership in Education website includes both information about integration and materials to help in planning for arts integration.

Arts for Academic Achievement

cehd.umn.edu/CAREI/Reports/Annenberg/

The Arts for Academic Achievement website provides a tool for integrating the arts with other disciplines.

Arts 4 Learning by Young Audiences, Inc.

www.arts4learning.org

Numerous arts-integrated units with video and written resources.

Southeast Center for Education in the Arts

www.sceaonline.com

Numerous arts-integrated units with video and written resources.

Planning

Focusing the Light iTool

www.oac.state.oh.us

Kennedy Center Alliance for Arts Education Community Audit Tool

www.kennedy-center.org/education/kcaeaen/resources/CAudit6-9.pdf