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Fine Arts Curriculum Requirements

1. **Which disciplines are included within fine arts Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS)?**

   The fine arts TEKS include the following disciplines:

   art (kindergarten–grade 12)
   dance (grades 1–8 and 9–12) [illegible]

An LEA shall offer and maintain evidence that students have the opportunity to take courses in at least three of the four disciplines in fine arts (art, dance, music, and theatre) (

6. **Can the one-credit fine arts graduation requirement be fulfilled by combining half credits of different courses?**

   Yes, the

Fine Arts Curriculum Standards

8. **Where can I find the TEKS for fine arts?**

   The fine arts TEKS can be accessed in 19 Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Chapter 117.

9. **What are the fine arts TEKS?**

   The fine arts TEKS describe what every student should know and be able to do by the end of each grade level or course in each discipline and are organized into the following strands of learning:

   Foundations
   Creative expression
   Historical and cultural relevance
   Critical evaluation and response

10. **Where can I find the prerequisites for TEKS-based fine arts courses?**

    The prerequisites for TEKS-based fine arts courses can be found in the general requirements section of each fine arts TEKS listed under 19 TAC Chapter 117.

Fine Arts Academics and Eligibility

11. **May a school district or open-enrollment charter re**

12. May a student who is ineligible to participate in a University Interscholastic League (UIL) activity due to a failing grade participate in a performance or evaluation that is a course requirement?

According to the 19 TAC 76.1001, a student who is ineligible to participate in a UIL fine arts activity, but who is enrolled in a state-approved course that requires

Fine Arts and Physical Education Requirements

13. Can a middle school dance course satisfy both the fine arts and physical education requirement?

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General Questions

19. What is a community-based fine arts program?

The 19 TAC §74.1030 allows a student to complete the one-credit fine arts graduation requirement by participating in a community-based fine arts program not provided by the district or open-enrollment charter school in which the student is enrolled. Credit may be earned through participation in the community-based fine arts program only if the school district or open-enrollment charter school–

applies to the commissioner of education for approval of the community-based fine arts program;

24. Where can I find the list of UIL fine arts activities?

The UIL website provides a series of pages with information regarding fine arts activities. Fine arts areas under UIL are organized into the areas of –

A+ art (grades 4–8);
drill team;
music; and
theatre & film