

**HORRY COUNTY SCHOOLS  
MONITORING REPORT – R-5 Fine Arts**

I certify that the information in this report is true.

Signed: *Rick Maxey* Date: 3/4/21  
Rick Maxey, Superintendent

Disposition of the Board:

- In compliance
- Not in compliance
- Compliance with exception

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ken Richardson, Board Chair

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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R-5 – Fine Arts	Supt	Supt	Board	Board
	In compliance	Not in compliance	In compliance	Not in compliance
Each student will achieve mastery of performance standards or state competencies in Fine Arts.	✓			

**Interpretation:** I interpret this policy to mean that Horry County Schools will implement a course of study that is aligned with the South Carolina Standards for Visual and Performing Arts Proficiency which outline what our students should know and be able to do in the arts.

I further interpret this to mean that the staff will regularly monitor and evaluate the instructional programs at each school offering arts course work as part of the ongoing efforts to improve student learning in the areas of fine arts. Staff will also provide ongoing support through professional development opportunities designed to support fine arts teachers in developing curricula and assessments, developing content knowledge, and promoting exceptional end products and performances in the arts programs in the schools.

**Indicators of Evidence and Compliance:**

We are in full compliance of this policy. Evidence is listed below:

- Horry County Schools' fine arts curricula are aligned with the South Carolina College and Career Ready Standards for Visual and Performing Arts Proficiency and the National Standards for Arts Education.
- Instructional materials adoption processes comply with state requirements.
- K-5 music teachers use *Quaver*, the state-approved interactive, technology-based music program.
- Participation and rank of middle and high school music students in all-county groups are analyzed to document student achievement in fine arts.
- Visual arts, theatre, dance and music students receive awards and recognitions annually as individuals and as part of ensembles.
- Music ensembles across the district are frequently invited to perform for conferences and community events.
- Expanded opportunities, such as elementary guitar, percussion, and keyboard instruction have been implemented.
- Students in grades 3 through 11 identified as artistically gifted and talented in compliance with the South Carolina Department of Education's Best Practices are provided enrichment learning opportunities through summer programs.
- Schools work to ensure music ensembles in grades 6-12 are accessible to the largest number of students possible.
- K-12 students annually participate in the "Waves of the Future" performance sponsored by the Chicora Rotary Club.
- All nine high school marching bands joined together to form HCS All-Star Marching Band, which represents the school system at various events.
- Fine arts teachers are active in their respective professional organizations, and many serve as officers, committee members, and presenters.
- Useful links and fine arts program information are accessible through the fine arts page on the district website.