



CALIFORNIA COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS ARTS INITIATIVE

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITY ON ELEMENTARY ARTS ASSESSMENT

*Sponsored by CCSESA and the
Curriculum and Instruction Steering Committee (CISC)
Visual and Performing Arts Subcommittee / Regional Arts Leads*

Do you have interest in learning more about authentic, **classroom-based assessment of K-6 student learning in the arts?**

Would you like to work on arts assessment with Deborah Brzoska, **international consultant affiliated with the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts?**

Do you want to learn ways to **explore classroom assessment** to help deepen and strengthen arts education in California schools?

If yes, you are invited to join this professional learning opportunity:

Session 1 and 2:

November 12-13, 2008

9:00-4:30

Sacramento Convention Center

Session 3:

March 18, 2009

9:00-4:30

Sacramento Convention Center

Session 4 and 5:

June 11-12

9:00-4:30

Location to be announced

Showcase and Culmination

See page two for a description of the program.

Audience: Regional and County Office Arts Leads/Staff from all 58 County Offices of Education and their invited guests from districts and schools.

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST COMMIT TO ALL FIVE SESSIONS

Enrollment: No Cost

Travel and meals to be covered by attendees

Register on line at: www.ccsesaarts.org

Deadline: November 4, 2008

Questions? Please call Sarah Anderberg, Director, CCSESA Arts Initiative
or Cindy Ridley, CCSESA Program Assistant at 916-446-3095

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Deborah Brzoska is a nationally recognized leader in arts education who has worked with schools and arts organizations internationally and in nearly all fifty states. She is a former arts specialist as well as the founding principal of an award-winning arts-centered public school in Vancouver, Washington. Deb is known for her work in arts assessment and served as a group leader for the National Assessment of Educational Progress in the Arts (NAEP).



Deb is a national teaching artist for The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, specializing in arts assessment and in the professional development of teachers, school leaders and teaching artists. She has presented arts education workshops, seminars and institutes from Cairo to Pago Pago, including a ten-year arts curriculum, assessment and research project for the Department of Education in the state of Hawaii. She has written about arts assessment for The Kennedy Center, Columbia College, the Arts Education Partnership and The College Board.

CCESSE ARTS PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITY ON ELEMENTARY ARTS ASSESSMENT

The California Arts Education Task Force developed key recommendations for moving arts education forward in our state. Recommendation Six suggests that the state encourage district assessment of student learning in the arts. CCESSE continues to investigate a wide range of assessment practices to build a foundation for quality learning in each of the four disciplines of **dance, music, theatre, and visual arts**.

Goal for the Professional Learning Community

To provide professional development across the state that results in standards-based arts education and creates **BEST PRACTICE EXAMPLES** of classroom arts assessment that will both inform and inspire California students, teachers and the public.

Overview

Region, county, district, and school leaders will participate in a learning community to work through techniques and processes for providing professional development for their learning community. Participants will receive a wide range of information including an overview of arts assessment, examples of embedded assessment, principles of assessment, documentation template and handouts, pilots of assessment, and how to collect, score, and reflect on student work.

Sessions 4 and 5 will include an opportunity to share results and best practices, celebrating work from across California.

REGISTRATION ON LINE AT: <http://ccsesaarts.k12oms.org/eventdetail.php?gid=403&id=20423>
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