

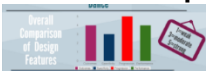


Purpose

The summaries of the comprehensive reviews between the National Core Arts Standards (NCCAS) and the Colorado Academic Standards in the Arts (CAS) are available in infographic form. This navigation page is designed to give users context for each section of the infographic. These comparisons can be used in discussions between district leaders and arts practitioners around the two sets of standards. For more information around the department’s stance and next steps around the National Core Arts Standards, please visit:

<http://www.cde.state.co.us/coarts/coloradoandnationalartsstandards>.

Overall Comparison of Design Features



This section compares the design features meaning that is compares the overall organizing frameworks and student outcomes between the state standards and the national standards.

- **Outcomes**- How do state and national standards align regarding the overall learning outcomes for students?
- **Specificity**- How closely do state and national standards align regarding specific expectations for students (broad vs. specifics outcomes)?
- **Progression**- How closely do the state and national standards compare on progression of skills-(grade level or grade span)?
- **Performance**- How closely do state and national standards align regarding level of performance (ability to apply/transfer) skills and knowledge?

Level of Similarity by Grade Span



This section compares the level of alignment between state and national standards by standard name using a scale from 1-5 (1=weak/5=strong).

Summary



This section gives the final summary of level of alignment. The % in the center is the overall average of similarity of a 4 or 5 rating from above. The dark section is the strong alignment (% in the center) and the white section indicates the amount of weaker to no alignment.



This section highlights the key words found within the review to illustrate the most common words that occurred within the review comments. The right-side gives a brief summary of these recurring details within the review.

Key Highlights/Recommendations



This section outlines key similarities and differences between state and national standards. It also provides brief recommendations for practitioners interested in using the national standards.