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British Columbia Curriculum Update: June 2010

New Curriculum Documents – Arts Education K to 7!

The British Columbia Ministry of Education is pleased to provide the following new curriculum documents available on the Ministry of Education web site at: http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/irp/irp_fa.htm

- **Arts Education Kindergarten to Grade 7 Overview – 2010:**
This document provides an introduction to and rationale for Arts Education K to 7 in British Columbia.

The Prescribed Learning Outcomes for each of the Arts Education disciplines are contained in the following individual curriculum documents:

- **Dance Kindergarten to Grade 7 Curriculum - 2010**
- **Drama Kindergarten to Grade 7 Curriculum – 2010**
- **Music Kindergarten to Grade 7 Curriculum - 2010**
- **Visual Arts Kindergarten to Grade 7 Curriculum - 2010**

The new Arts Education K to 7 curriculum documents differ from the Fine Arts K to 7 Integrated Resource Package in that the new curriculum provides:

- A curricular format consistent with all other K-7 provincial curriculum in British Columbia.

- Individual documents for each Arts Education discipline: Dance, Drama, Music and Visual Arts.
- A reduction in the number of Prescribed Learning Outcomes (PLOs) for all disciplines.
- The addition of Suggested Achievement Indicators that elaborate on the PLOs as well as encourage, guide, and facilitate classroom practice.
- The inclusion of three common areas of learning across all four disciplines, i.e., 1) personal, social, cultural and historical contexts; 2) knowledge, skills, and techniques; and 3) creating, expressing, perceiving, and responding.

The new curriculum can be optionally implemented starting July 2010 and must be used instead of the Fine Arts K to 7 curriculum starting July 2011. An implementation schedule outlining the implementation dates for these and other curriculum documents is available online at: http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/irp/imp_sched.htm

A **Discussion Forum** to capture your ongoing feedback on these and other curricula has been set up on: <https://www.itmbforums.gov.bc.ca/cgi-bin/ultimatebb.cgi?category=9>

Copies of provincial curriculum can be ordered from Queen's Printer Publication Services, 563 Superior Street, Victoria, BC, V8W 9V7. Phone (250) 387-6409. Fax (250) 387-1120. Toll free 1-800-663-6105. Please quote the following catalogue numbers when ordering.

Arts Education Kindergarten to Grade 7 Overview – 2010: **CUR 005**

Dance Kindergarten to Grade 7 Curriculum – 2010: **CUR 001**

Drama Kindergarten to Grade 7 Curriculum – 2010: **CUR 002**

Music Kindergarten to Grade 7 Curriculum – 2010: **CUR 003**

Visual Arts Kindergarten to Grade 7 Curriculum – 2010: **CUR**

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