

Michigan Department of Education (MDE)-APPROVED statement regarding use of MAEIA assessments for evaluating educator effectiveness

The [Michigan Arts Education Instruction and Assessment Project \(MAEIA\)](#) supports Michigan school districts, buildings, educators, and the public in implementing a high-quality arts education program in dance, music, theatre, and visual arts for all K-12 students.

MAEIA's catalogue of [360 performance assessments](#) are curriculum-embedded and aligned to [Michigan Standards](#) and [National Core Arts Anchor Standards](#).

The MDE endorses the use of MAEIA performance assessment data as a *local* student growth measure for the purposes of determining teachers' effectiveness. The department further recommends that districts:

- Base 100% of student growth ratings on *local* measures when evaluating teachers of non-core classes for which there is no standardized state assessment (including teachers of the arts)
- Choose only high-quality measures appropriate to the teachers' discipline
- Use multiple measures for deriving student growth rates (e.g. one MAEIA performance task and one MAEIA performance event)

NOTE: For teachers in non-core subjects, it is not only permissible but encouraged that all multiple measures be derived from local growth measures – when the measure is of known high quality.