

Music and Dance Resource List for Grades 9 through 12

The Resources in this document can be used with the Music and Dance Curriculum Packet for grades 9 through 12.

Books

Non-fiction and Biography

- Appreciating Dance: A Guide to the World's Liveliest Art, 2006 by Harriet Lihs (Author).
Written for the dance novice, this reference is a concise history of all forms of dance. Detailing the development of dance from its earliest beginnings, this guide covers the intersection of dance and religion, social dance, ballet, modern dance, tap, jazz, film and theatrical dance, and contemporary dance.
- Careers If You Like Music, 2017 by Laura Roberts (Author).
Being a musician sounds cool, but what if you love music and don't want to be a rock star? People with a passion for music land in all kinds of fascinating careers—ranging from composers to record producers to music therapists.
- History of Dance: An Interactive Arts Approach, 2007 by Gayle Kassing (Author).
This title provides an in-depth look at dance from the dawn of time through the 20th century. Using an investigative approach, this book presents the who, what, when, where, why, and how of dance history in relation to other arts and to historical, political, and social events.
- The Impact of Technology in Music, 2015 by Matthew Anniss (Author).
This book looks at historical, current and emerging techniques involved in music creation and performance. It also examines the increasing and changing role of the internet in music creation and distribution, including the history of music piracy.
- Learn to Speak Dance: A Guide to Creating, Performing & Promoting Your Moves, 2011 by Ann-Marie Williams (Author) and Jeff Kulak (Illustrator).
Drawing upon years of experience as a dancer, and dance teacher, the author exposes every aspect of the world of dance, from different dance styles from around the world to tips on choreography, costume design, performance, staging, and even managing a potential career.
- Learn to Speak Music: A Guide to Creating, Performing, and Promoting Your Songs, 2009 by John Crossingham, (Author) and Jeff Kulak (Illustrator).
This book covers everything from music being our universal language to learning to play instruments to promoting a band.

- Legends of American Dance and Choreography (Collective Biographies), 2000 by Carin T. Ford (Author).
Profiles ten influential and dedicated dancers and choreographers who worked in America, including Martha Graham, Fred Astaire, and Mikhail Baryshnikov.
- Legends, Icons & Rebels: Music That Changed the World, 2013 by Robbie Robertson (Author), Jim Guerinot (Author), Sebastian Robertson (Author), & 1 more.
It's the authors' passion and insights into these personal stories of creativity and collaboration, and the power of music to shine a light on injustice and foster change, that will fascinate and inspire music fans of all ages.
- Magnificent Women in Music (Women's Hall of Fame), 2006 by Heather Ball (Author).
Women rock, and they have for a very long time This book profiles 10 inspiring women who have triumphed in bringing their love of music to the world, singing, playing and composing despite all the obstacles placed in their way.
- Meet the Dancers: From Ballet, Broadway, and Beyond, 2008 by Amy Nathan (Author).
Lots of kids enjoy dancing, but what motivates them to push past the sore muscles, early-morning technique classes, and crazy schedule required to become a professional dancer? In this book, dancers from many backgrounds talk about their different paths to success in ballet, modern, jazz, Broadway, and hip-hop. And they provide tips and advice as well.
- Mozart: Requiem of Genius (The True Story of Wolfgang Mozart), 2016 by Alexander Kennedy (Author).
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's name is today synonymous with genius, but his life was a whirlwind of controversy, jealousy, and clashing egos.
- The Rap Year Book: The Most Important Rap Song From Every Year Since 1979, Discussed, Debated, and Deconstructed, 2015 by Shea Serrano (Author), Arturo Torres (Illustrator), Ice-T (Foreword).
Complete with infographics, lyric maps, uproarious and informative footnotes, portraits of the artists, and short essays by other prominent music writers, this title is both a narrative and illustrated guide to the most iconic and influential rap songs ever created.
- Three Wishes: An Intimate Look at Jazz Greats, 2008 by Nica de Koenigswarter (Author), Nadine de Koenigswarter (Introduction), & 1 more.
This is a great retrospective by the author who was right there in the middle of the Golden Age of Jazz and experienced this era personally together with many jazz greats of the period.

Fiction

- For the Record, 2015 by Charlotte Huang (Author).
A fresh look at teenage stardom and the music industry.
- Nick & Norah's Infinite Playlist, 2008 by David Levithan (Author), Rachel Cohn (Author).
Nick frequents New York's indie rock scene nursing a broken heart. Norah is questioning all of her assumptions about the world. They have nothing in common except for their taste in music.

- Songs About a Girl, 2017 by Chris Russell (Author).
Music. Fame. Heartbreak: this book is the perfect next read for anyone who has ever wanted to say, “I’m with the band.”
- Struts & Frets, 2011 by Jon Skovron (Author).
This title will resonate not only with teenage musicians but also with anyone who ever sat up all night listening to a favorite album, wondering if they’d ever find their place in the world
- Will Grayson, Will Grayson, 2011 by John Green (Author), David Levithan (Author).
With a push from friends new and old, Will and Will begin building toward respective romantic turns-of-heart and the epic production of history's most awesome high school musical.

Magazines, Journals, Miscellaneous

- Dance Spirit Magazine
<https://www.dancespirit.com/magazines/>
- Music Alive
<https://www.musicalive.com/about-music-alive/>

Online Links

- IncrediBox: Music Mixing site
<https://www.incredibox.com/>
- Making Music Fun
<https://makingmusicfun.net/>
- Math Science Music: Thoughtful tools teach STEM skills through music and creativity
- Smithsonian Folkways: A world music site
<https://folkways.si.edu/>

Background information for the Educator

- Creative Dance for All Ages, 2015 by Anne Green Gilbert (Author).
This one-stop resource offers dance teachers everything they need, including a sequential curriculum, lesson plans, instructional strategies, assessment, and other forms. It’s like having a seasoned dance teacher at your side offering inspiration and guidance all year long.
- Making Music Magazine
<https://makingmusicmag.com/category/more-topics/>
- Smithsonian Folkways: Educator resources
<https://folkways.si.edu/learn>
- The Ultimate Teacher Resource Guide
<http://www.supersummary.com/teacher-resource-guide/>

