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Arts Integration

For over 15 years, Dave has collaborated with teachers, after-school coordinators and administrators to create arts integrated programs, workshops and residencies that forge connections through music. These projects have embraced a wide range of subject matters: music, sound & science, character education and early literacy skills. In each collaborative effort, Dave and the teacher partners share concepts, end-goals and in many cases, co-teaching opportunities. Through exposure to an array of percussion instruments and rhythm-based activities, Dave provides a rich, arts integrated experience in which students are connected, focused and engaged.

Optimal Arts Integration Experience

Dave's experience and research has shown that a wide range of learning opportunities within a single Arts Integration project yields more awareness, connection and continued implementation of the concepts covered. These include learning opportunities that are presentational, experiential and creative. These experiences are also most effective when they encompass individual, as well as small group and large group collaboration. Time for reflection and presentation of ideas, processes and results is also key. This type of residency may include an interactive presentation of instruments and music from around the world, small group SCRUM sessions to build a unique instrument from environmental resources and a large group collaborative 'concert' of traditional and original "rhythm music."

Dave's intention is to create as many broad-based, arts integration experiences for as many students as possible!