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Madison Cross Roads Elementary students are in motion as part of the new "Arts on the Move" program.

NAAEC's new program "Arts on the Move" begins at Madison Cross Roads Elementary

The North Alabama Arts Education Collaborative (NAAEC) continues to work with local schools to create original and innovative ways to bring arts education opportunities to students.

The Collaborative's newest program "Arts on the Move" is an embedded arts project integrating dance and creative movement with physical education. The pilot program began at Madison Cross Roads Elementary School in Sept. 2022, where, for nine weeks, students in grades K – 3 will receive one dance lesson per week during their regular PE class. The standards-based curriculum for this program was designed by Ms. Kerri-Noelle Humphrey, program director for The Alabama Dance Council.

"The new project is unusual because it doesn't take away any instructional time from core subjects and doesn't disrupt the regular school schedule," NAAEC Director Karen Anderson said. "It is truly the first of its kind in our area. This fall, we will be piloting it in five schools in Huntsville City and Madison County."

Sound like a fit for your school? Contact Karen at karen@artshuntsville.org.

