

## Section 3:

# AOSA Teacher Education Curriculum Standards

## Foreword

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**As an organization and as a collection of individuals joined by their interest in Orff Schulwerk, the American Orff Schulwerk Association is bound together by its belief in these Enduring Understandings:**

*Carl Orff and Gunild Keetman were composers inspired by the interrelationships of the spoken word, dance, and music.*

*Musiké is the unity of music, dance, and speech that grows from shared roots in rhythm, permeating all aspects of Orff Schulwerk.*

*The artistic teacher of the Orff approach uses pedagogical processes designed to empower children by giving them ownership of their music-learning experiences.*

*Orff Schulwerk Teacher Education courses are designed to develop the teacher's pedagogical skills, musicianship, and creative potential.*