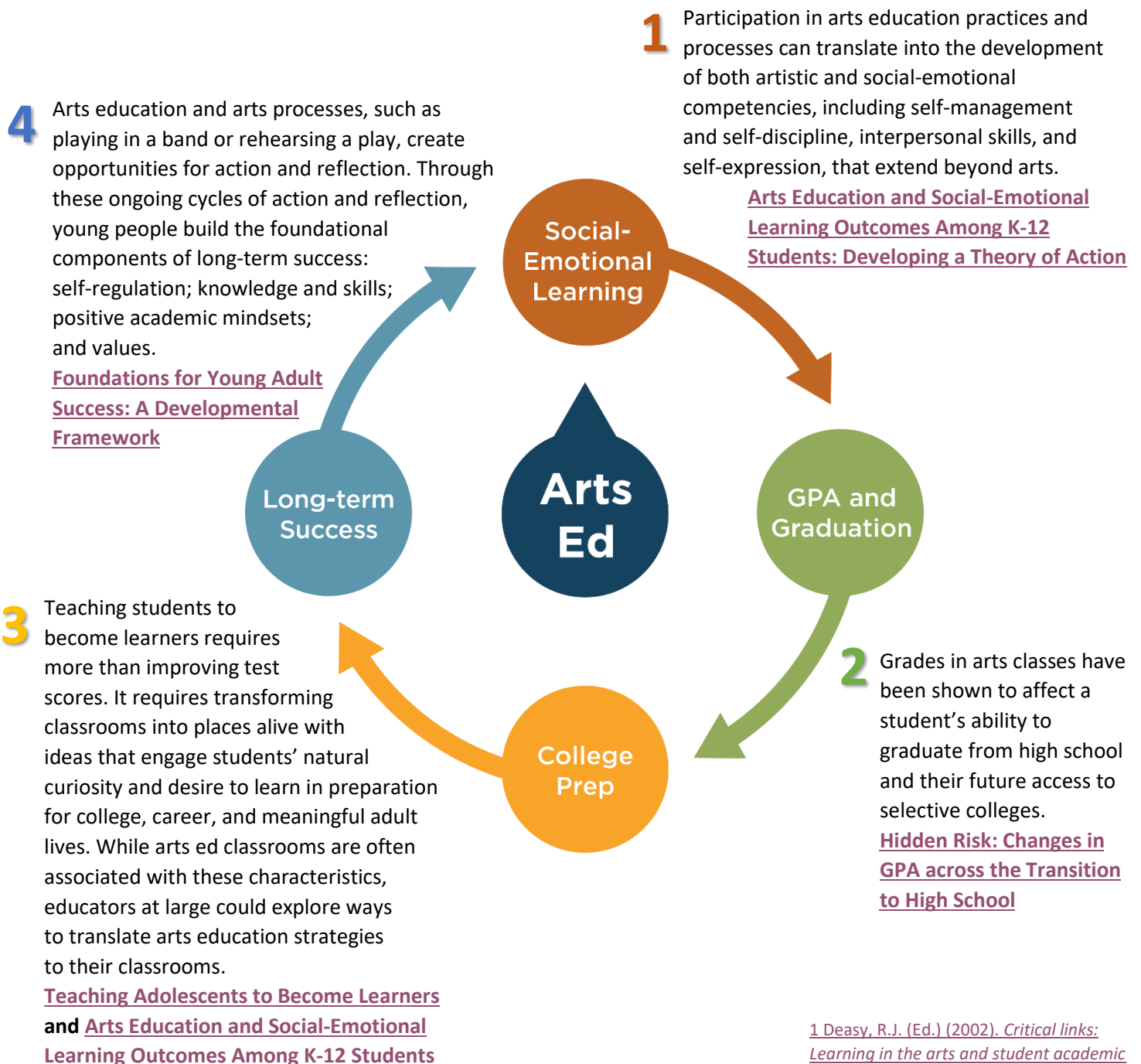


## Four Reasons Why Arts Education is Central to College Prep and Long-term Success

This year, September 8-14 is a week to celebrate Arts in Education across the nation. Did you know that dance instruction can improve reading and acting out stories can improve academic skills?<sup>1</sup> In fact, arts education has been shown to build the academic and soft skills our kids need to succeed in college and in life.

Here's what the research says:



<sup>1</sup> Deasy, R.J. (Ed.) (2002). *Critical links: Learning in the arts and student academic and social development*. Washington, DC: Arts Education Partnership.