MODEL SPIRAL STANDARDS-BASED CURRICULUM

The Visual Arts standards addess four primary art processes:

- CREATING
- PRESENTING
- RESPONDING
- CONNECTING

These four art processes are subdivided into 11 anchor standards, which are the same for all 12 grade levels. Specific versions of the anchor standards are identified for each grade level. Two of the CREATING standards have sub-components and one RESPONDING standard has subcomponents, making a total of 15 specific standards for each grade level.

- CREATING = 6
- PRESENTING = 3
- RESPONDING = 4
- CONNECTING = 2

Teachers developing curriculum for a grade or course can organize the 15 grade-specific standards into various longer or shorter unit plans. Each of the four loops of the spiral to the right represents a curriculum unit. This spiral illustrates just one of many curriculum configurations that can address all 15 specific standards for one grade level.

