

Dear BMS Families and Student Artists,

For the 2025 - 2026 school year, we are pleased to announce that we will offer a year-long 8th-grade Art I class. Current 7th-graders may apply to enroll in this high school credit-bearing course, which allows them to begin taking advanced-level Art courses upon entry to high school.

The curriculum for this class is the same as the high school level Art 1, and students must demonstrate proficiency by passing the EOC. It is important to note that this course impacts students' high school transcripts. Once students are enrolled in a high school credit-bearing course, they may not drop. Not performing well in this class would affect their high school GPA.

Any students with a strong interest in art who plan to take advanced-level art classes in high school are encouraged to apply. [This application](#) will require students to submit a portfolio of 3 artworks they have made that demonstrate originality and skill, explain the ideas behind their artwork, and express their goals as an artist. Please scan the QR code below to access the application.



Upon completion of the course, students will have experience with the following:

- A variety of art media, such as drawing, painting, ceramics, and sculpture
- Using Canvas, ArtSonia and Google Slides
- Documenting the creative process (exploration, idea generation, and communication), researching personally meaningful topics and themes, and responding to artwork verbally and in writing
- Giving and receiving constructive peer feedback
- Higher-order thinking, problem-solving, and questioning

We look forward to offering this special opportunity to student artists next year. The BMS art teachers will use [this selection criteria](#) to decide on the applications. If space limitations prevent us from placing students in the class, there will be a waiting list. This application is due by February 1st, 2025 by sending in a canvas inbox message with the link of your completed application to one of our art teachers.

Thank you,

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