



Graphic Design I Syllabus - 2026 - 2027

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Office Hours: 7:15-7:30 am, 2:45-3:15 pm



Course Description:

Graphic Design I students will acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to create successful design and typography. Students will use industry standard design software Adobe Photoshop and Adobe Illustrator on a regular basis in the course.

Course Outline:

What is Graphic Design?	Graphic Design Jobs	Creative Process	Illustrator	Personal Symbol
Pen Tool	Color	Typography	Movie Poster	Photoshop
Branding				

Primary Resources:

Google Classroom

Grade Breakdown:

Semester Grade	Practice	Formative	Summative
90%	0%	30%	70%
10%	Semester Exam		

Grading Scale:

Grade	Percent	Grade	Percent	Grade	Percent
A+	97-100	B	83-86	C-	70-72
A	93-96	B-	80-82	D+	67-69
A-	90-92	C+	77-79	D	63-66
B+	87-89	C	73-76	D-	60-62
F Below 60					

Late Work/Missing Work Policy:

Mukwonago Area Schools believes that feedback is an integral component to student success in teaching and learning. Mukwonago High School expects that all students will turn in work by the intended due date to receive full credit and necessary feedback. Students will have the opportunity to turn in practice and formative assessments up to 2 school days late to receive partial credit.

- **Full Credit:** Students *might* receive full credit if the practice or formative assessment is turned in on the due date.
- **Partial Credit:** Students will receive partial credit if the practice or formative assessment is turned in up to two school days after the due date.
- **Zero Credit:** practice or formative assessment can be turned in past the two days to remain eligible for reassessment; however, no credit will be given.

Assessment Policy:

Assessments are used to measure student learning of essential learning standards within a unit of instruction.

Cumulative Assessments (Ex. Projects, Essays, Presentations, Semester Exams): These end of unit assessments are final products of learning in which students have had several opportunities to make adjustments based on feedback. Retakes are not provided for these types of end of unit assessments. ***Not eligible for retake**

Summative Assessments (Ex. Test): This end of unit assessment uses various types of questions that students have studied but not previously seen. Students are eligible to reassess if the following criteria are met: practice and formative assignments for the unit have been completed and turned in prior to the summative assessment, student meets with their teacher to schedule a reassessment, and demonstrates relearning within 2 weeks of receiving the original assessment. The reassessment grade will replace the original summative grade, regardless if the new grade is lower than the original assessment. ***Eligible for retake**

Materials/Supplies needed:

☐ Pencil

Expectations & Classroom Conduct:

This is a COMMUNITY. Be Respectful

Share insights to help each grow as photographers.

Be open & accepting feedback.

This is a SHARED STUDIO SPACE. Be Safe

Use all computers as directed.

Help each other to create a comfortable learning space.

Clean your workspace & return tools.

This is OUR TIME. Be Engaged

Ask questions & share your thoughts.

Create art that shows your skills & growth.

YOUR WORK IS YOURS. Be Responsible

You are creative and your ideas, perspectives, etc.

Take pride in your skills and your growth.

Tardiness will be tracked in Infinite Campus (IC), and the following steps will be taken for each occurrence:

1st Tardy: Verbal warning

2nd Tardy: 10-minute detention with the teacher (must be served within 2 days) and parent contact; administration will be notified through Educlimber.

3rd Tardy: Teacher will submit an IC office referral. Administration will meet with the student, assign an after-school detention, and contact the parent.

4th +: The teacher will submit an office referral in Infinite Campus (IC), and administration will determine appropriate consequences at their discretion.

Absences: If you are absent, check Google Classroom for an update on any work that you may have missed. You are welcome to come and work during a study hall. Please ask for a pass ahead of time.

Academic Honesty:

The Mukwonago Area School District emphasizes the importance of academic honesty and integrity as essential to education. Students are expected to complete and represent their work truthfully and are held accountable for academic misconduct, including cheating, plagiarism, and misuse of artificial intelligence. Teachers review the academic honesty policy at the start of each course. Consequences for dishonesty vary by offense: the **first offense** results in a zero on the assessment, parent contact, administrative review, and permanent ineligibility for National Honor Society; the **second offense** leads to another zero, a parent meeting with administration, and ineligibility for valedictorian or salutatorian honors; a **third offense** results in withdrawal from the course with a failing grade or audit status, and loss of honors pass privileges.

Tips for Success:

Show up everyday willing to try, learn, and participate with a positive attitude. Have patience when learning new software. What you put into this craft is what you will get out of it.

All Mukwonago policies & procedures will be followed and enforced in this class as outlined in more detail in the [Mukwonago High School Student and Parent Handbook](#).