

Visual Art Overview: Grade 4

Content	Skills	Essential Questions
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Artists use the elements and principles of art (such as color, line, value, texture, shape, and form) to express their ideas.• Artists make art through a process that often involves planning and reflecting.• Artists take care of art tools, materials and the studio environment.• Artists practice skills and techniques to improve their artwork.• Artists choose specific techniques to express their ideas.• Artists explore materials and techniques to find ideas and new ways of working.• Artists look closely at their own work, the world around them and the work of other artists.• Artists visualize ideas before and during the process of making art .• Artists express ideas, stories or feelings through their artwork.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Make a clay sculpture using pushing and pulling that demonstrates balance.• Transform recycled materials.• Draw or paint from observation.• Draw a face using correct proportions.• Use observation skills to improve artwork.• Recognize and create a range of values.• Use lines to create the illusion of form.• Select work for presentation.• Reflect on work in writing and/ or orally.• Prepare for art with sketches and plans.• Reflect on their work- in- progress and envision next steps.• Discuss an artwork using visual thinking strategies(VTS).• Use knowledge of form and balance to create three dimensional work.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Where do artists get their ideas?• How do artists work?• How do artists decide what materials are best for their work?• How do artists use their knowledge of materials and resources to express personal ideas?• What technical skills do artists use to express ideas or feelings?