

Graphic Design (WDHC) Syllabus

Instructor: David Madigan

Room - 504

Visual Arts Specialization (Beginning) is an introductory level course for students with a great interest in a specific area of specialization and is aligned to the North Carolina Essential Standards for Visual Arts at the beginning level. Successful completion of Foundations and Proficient is required for this course. Specialized courses may be offered at and are aligned to each proficiency level in each arts education discipline. There may be several specialized studies available within a given discipline and proficiency level. Although many electives will have a specific emphasis, the beginning level Essential Standards for Visual Arts should be addressed to some extent within the specialization. Specialized course examples include: Ceramics, Photography, Oil Painting, Electronic Art, Art History, or other specialized studies in visual arts .

Students will be encouraged to be creative and to think out of the box while designing. Students will be provided a strong foundation in design, graphic design, photography, and video production. Problem solving and decision-making are emphasized throughout Graphic Design.

Students should use time wisely during the 90 minute class period in order to receive maximum points for the process. Each student will be assessed upon their skill level and their effort to produce quality work with an expectation of improvement throughout the semester. Students will work collaboratively on several projects.

Students should follow the school rules and expectations as outlined in the student handbook.

Art Classroom Rules / Procedures

1. **Be in class on time. (In the classroom getting ready to work!)**
2. **Follow procedures. (Work quietly) No food or beverage, except with a Dr.'s note. If you play for an athletic team you will want a note to drink water.**
3. **Respect yourself and others: Do not touch or mess with another student's art work or materials.**
4. **Keep your hands, feet, & objects to yourself.**
5. **Music Devices (Visual Arts Classes Only) (Rules Vary Per Teacher)**
 - a. **No music during intro, lecture, discussions or quizzes**
 - i. (independent practice only)
 - b. **Music must be at a minimal level**

- c. **Students may not share headphones.**
- d. **No music from my computers**
- e. **Student is responsible for device.**

Sketchbook:

Each student will receive sketchbook assignments, journaling assignments and should take notes from lectures and text assignments. Any assignment that is not completed in class will become homework. (DHC Visual Arts Website)

GRADING:

The class will follow the approved grading system found in the student handbook. A student grade will be based on the following criteria:

GRADES: 50% design projects, 30% sketchbook/practice, 20% test/quiz.

Required Supplies:

1 (9 x 12) spiral sketchbook

STUDENTS NEED TO LABEL EVERYTHING THEY BRING TO CLASS

Can be purchased at WalMart, Staples, Office Depot, Dollar Tree, University Book Exchange, Michaels, or AC Moore

Parent/Guardian Signature, _____

Tele# _____

Email address needed for contact
please. _____

Parents/Guardians may contact me via phone 252-756-3440
or email (best way to contact): madigad@pitt.k12.nc.us.

New DHC Visual Arts Webpage!

<http://tinyurl.com/dhcvisualarts>