

Introduction to Art
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Welcome to Intro to Art!

Introduction to Art is a foundational art course that provides students with the opportunity to further develop their creative problem solving skills as well as their understanding of the Elements of Art and the Principles of Design. Through the use of a variety of mediums, students will learn and develop artistic knowledge, skills and techniques.

Class Preparation and Rules:

- All cell phones should be stored away in lockers for the duration of the school day
- Arrive to class *on time*
- Be *ready to listen for daily instructions and to begin working once the bell rings*
- Students are responsible for the *proper care and use of all materials in the Art Room*
- Students are responsible for *clean-up of the workspace*
- Students are responsible for *storing artwork in the proper place at the end of class*
- Students should be *seated or standing at their assigned tables and ready to be dismissed at the end of class - please do not line up at the door (classroom doors remain closed for the duration of the period)*
- Students should *exhibit a positive attitude*
- Students should *treat everything and everyone with RESPECT*

Attendance:

This class follows and abides by the attendance policy stated in the SHS student handbook.

Assignments:

Assignments should be completed by the assigned due date.

Students are responsible for the completion of any unfinished work.

Grading:

Introduction to Art is a full year course. Each quarterly grade equals 25% of the final grade average.

Grades are based upon the following:

Project Assignments:

- **Preliminary Planning
- **Preparation
- **Creative Problem Solving
- **Craftsmanship
- **Neatness
- **Creative Thinking
- **Personal Best
- **Presentation
- **Project Completion

Classroom Behavior:

- Effort & Attitude
- Cooperation
- Participation
- Proper clean up of workspace
- Preparedness / Arrive on time
- Respect for materials
- Proper and safe use of materials
- Respect for all individuals
- Abide by teacher phone policy and classroom rules

Folder/Sketchbooks:

Folders & sketchbooks are a personal reference book and creative resource. Problem solving, note taking, preliminary work, handouts and experimentation with artistic mediums all take place within the artist's folder/sketchbook. Students that choose to continue further in art education will take this along with them to the next course. These pages will continue to be used for planning, note taking, journaling, generating ideas, problem solving, experimentation and personal creative growth.

Things that take place inside of your folder/sketchbook:

- Create a visual history & timeline of what you are learning
- Create a personalized "Art Textbook"
- Writing notes and information related to the Elements of Art and the Principles of Design
- Completing Sketchbook assignments
- Sketching your own ideas & designs
- Problem solving
- Sketching preliminary work for class assignments and projects
- Creating thumbnail sketches
- Finding & attaching inspirational images
- Writing critiques
- Writing reflections
- Drawing, doodling, relaxing or having fun
- Experimentation and "playing" with new artistic mediums, tools and techniques

What Does an Artist DO?

- Creates
- Develops
- inspires
- transforms
- invents
- designs
- paints
- draws
- sculpts
- illustrates
- builds
- communicate ideas
- performs

*****Google classroom should be Checked for updates, instructions and assignments!!**