

Drawing and Painting

Mrs. Wurst

Course Description: This half year course is designed to enhance the student's development in the drawing and painting processes and techniques. Students will draw and paint from direct observation of the figure, still-life, portrait, and landscape. Along with studying a variety of drawing and painting mediums, exploration of styles, methods, and techniques in art are investigated to further their understanding and development in the visual arts. Some of the drawing and painting techniques and media's explored include pencil, colored pencil, charcoal, chalk pastel, oil pastel, ink, print-making, acrylic, oil, and watercolor. In this class, students will also begin to create artwork for a scholastic portfolio.

Folder: Each student is required to make a folder to store in the room. This is where all of your art work, exercises, and project info. will be stored. You may also use your folder to safely transport work home. Remember, never fold your artwork!

Supplies: I will give you a supply box and all the supplies you will need to use in this class. Supply boxes should be kept in the classroom. Please take care of your own supplies and materials.

Grading: Work will be graded using specific guidelines for each assignment. However, areas that will consistently be graded for every project are: Following Directions, Completing the Project on Time, Neatness, Effort, Class Participation, and Completing the Self-Critique. Major projects are worth twice as much as class exercises.

Critique: There will be a class critique at the end of each major project in which everyone will participate. This is part of your project grade. Participation is mandatory. Critiquing is a way for you to explain what you have done, talk about your strengths and weaknesses, what was challenging, what you learned, what you liked and disliked, and for your classmates to share their positive feedback on your work.

Deadlines: Any work assigned during a 5 week session will be due at the end of that 5 week session. Your project will be graded at that time whether it is done or not. Points will be taken off a project if it is unfinished.

Lates: Make every effort to be here on time. If you are late and it is a reasonable excuse, please be sure to tell me or else I will put it in the grade book as late. Three lates result in an After School Detention.

Cell Phones: Cell phone are not allowed in class AT ALL. Please store them where I cannot see them (not on the tables or on your lap). They may NOT be used to music, looking up pictures, checking time, etc.) If I see one, you will be sent to the office with your cell phone where your parent will have to pick it up later.

Additional Responsibilities:

- Proper care and use of all materials is expected.
- Do NOT write, scratch or sit on the tables.
- Please, no lining up by the door at the end of class, wait in your seats for the bell.
- Seats will be assigned alphabetically. If there is a problem I will change your seat, do not take it upon yourself to change your own seat.
- Please put all of your projects, exercises, and other art-related info. in your folders and do not throw them away. I will make special time at the end of the semester for you to safely transport your folder to your locker.

Final Exam – It is mandated to have a Final Exam and it is worth 20% of your final grade.