

Mrs. Wurst's Art Class

Visual Arts 7 Syllabus

Portfolio: Each student is required to make a large portfolio (folder) to store in the room. This is where all of your artwork, exercises, and project information will be stored. You may also use your portfolio to safely transport work home. Be sure to never fold your artwork!

Supply box: I will pass out these supplies for you to use for the year: a pencil, eraser, ruler, flat brush, round brush, large brush cup and palette. You are responsible for taking care of these things. You and your materials will be assigned a number so we can better keep track of them in case they get lost or are misplaced. They will be given back to me at the end of the year. If you lose anything from the supply box, you will be responsible for replacing it. If you leave your materials out then you will be assigned a lunch detention.

Coats, Books, and Bags: You have 3 minutes in between each class. You must leave your coat and bag and books in your locker, they may NOT come to art class with you. There is no room in the classroom and these items on the floor cause a tripping hazard.

Grading: Work will be graded using specific guidelines for each assignment. However, you will always be graded on effort, following directions, completion of the project, understanding of the project, and if you worked carefully and neatly. Remember - this class counts as an equal to all of your other classes! So try your best!!!

Deadlines: Unfinished projects have one week from the last working class day to be completed. They will be graded at that time, whether they are done or not. Points will be taken off a project if it is unfinished. You will need to find your own time to work on completing a project.

Lates: Three lates will result in an After School Detention.

Pencils: I will provide you with a pencil at the beginning of the year. It is up to you to provide your own pencils after that if you lose it or take it with you. There is a Sign-Out sheet for pencils if you choose to borrow one, BUT, if you borrow a pencil 3 times you will serve a lunch detention and every time after that. Because of time restrictions, you will not be able to go back to your locker to get a pencil once you have entered the classroom.

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.
- Please stay out of supply closets and drawers unless given permission.
- Please be careful not to scratch or write on the tables. And remember, we do not sit on tables!
- No lining up by the door, please wait in your seats until the bell rings.
- Seats will be assigned alphabetically. If there is a discipline problem, I will change your seat.
- Please put all of your finished exercises and projects in your folders and DO NOT THROW THEM AWAY. I will make special time at the end of the year for you to safely transport them to your locker.
- Only artwork is allowed to be worked on in art class, you may not work on homework from other subject areas while in art class.
- Please remember that if it is not yours, don't touch it.
- I will need to sign your passbook each time you leave the classroom. If you do not have your passbook than you cannot leave.

Early Completion of a Project: If you finish a project early, show me first so that we can be sure that all of the steps have been correctly completed. Remember, working carefully and neatly with a lot of effort results in a good grade! If you rush you risk having a poor quality project. Once that is done than you may:

- Finish your previous project if you didn't get it done.
- Ask me if there is any work to be done around the classroom (there is often plenty to do).
- I often need art displays taken down or put up outside the classroom.

Final: There is a Final Exam at the end of the year, it is worth 20% of your Final Grade.