

Welcome to

7th grade

Jasper Middle



ART

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This semester course is filled with projects and activities that will boost your critical thinking skills, improve your collaborative participation, grow your creativity, and develop your communication skills through writing and talking about art. In addition, you will develop a greater understanding and appreciation of art from the past and present.

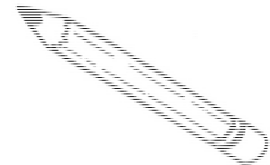
In this class you will...

- Understand art in relation to history and past and contemporary culture.
- Recognize significant works of art and the chronological development of art movements and historical periods.
- Describe, analyze, and interpret works of art and artifacts.
- Theorize about art and make informed judgments.
- Reflect on and discuss the nature of art, aesthetic experience, and aesthetic issues concerning the meaning and significance of art.
- Develop a range of subject matter, symbols, and ideas for artwork and utilize skills of critique, reflection, and revision
- Understand and apply elements and principles of design in personal works of art, utilizing a variety of media, tools, and processes.
- Experience the integrative nature of visual arts, other arts disciplines, and disciplines outside the arts, and understand the arts as a critical component of learning and comprehension in all subject areas.

(Indiana Academic Standards for Visual Arts)

Materials needed daily:

- Pencil/Eraser
- Art Supplies
- Sketchbook
- **2 in 1 Device**



Art Supply List

- Sketchbook- 8 ½"x 11" or larger- spiral bound unlined pages. No larger than 12" x 18".
- 2 pencils
- Eraser
- Glue- glue stick
- 2-Black Sharpies- 1 fine tip, 1 ultra-fine tip
- 12 or more fine tip color markers
 - Sharpies, Crayola, or crazy art...

Optional/ recommended items

- Handheld pencil sharpener
- Scissors
- 12+ colored pencils
- Ruler
- BOX OF TISSUES- Please

Grades: Grading artwork is not like grading a worksheet or a test which has definite right and wrong answers. *Art is different.* Everyone has different strengths and weaknesses when it comes to creating art. I do not expect everyone to create art like *Vincent Van Gogh*. I do expect you to do your personal best and to *use your time wisely* in class, to follow all directions of the assignment, and your finished project should be neat and show good craftsmanship. I use a **20 point rubric** when grading all art projects. The three categories your grade will be based on are:

- Following directions- 10 points
- Craftsmanship/ Neatness- 5 points
- Creativity/ Uniqueness- 5 points

Larger projects will be doubled with a maximum of 40 points possible

Other Assignments

- Sketchbook assignments, hand-outs 10-15 pts
- quizzes, vocabulary- 10- 25 pts.
- Weekly Artist of the Week-writing: 10 pts.
- Two major tests- 50 pts. Each
- **Extra Credit opportunities**- 2 pts.each
- ***Weekly Participation/Effort grade: 10 pts**
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Guidelines for Success

- Be prepared for class- *sketchbook and pencil and 2 in1 device- EVERY DAY*
- Be in class in your assigned seat when the bell rings
- Listen to and follow all directions
- **Respect** the people, equipment, materials, and furnishings in the art room.
- Use all tools and materials *safely* and *properly*.
- Be honest and accountable for your actions.
- Use your time wisely
- Work quietly-use appropriate language and have appropriate conversations.
- Be responsible for your work area, tools, and materials. Clean up after yourself and complete your class job when given.
- Have a positive attitude- You CAN do it!

Consequences/ Rewards

If you **choose** not to follow the guidelines for success

- Teacher and student will discuss the inappropriate, disruptive, unacceptable choices and behaviors and a warning will be given.
- **Points deducted from weekly Participation grade**
- Student may be assigned a lunch detention
- Parents will be notified when necessary and when a student chooses repeatedly not to follow guidelines.
- A student may be removed from class and sent to the office for repeated disruptive or disrespectful behavior.

Rewards for following guidelines

- You will *do well in Art class*, finish your projects, and enjoy a comfortable classroom environment.
- *Occasional special days*, art choice days, sit with a friend day, movie and snack day, art game day...

Art Studio Safety

All Students are required to use all art materials, tools, and equipment in a safe and proper manner. Any student who chooses to use any art material, tool, or equipment in an unsafe or improper manner will *lose the privilege* of using these materials and will receive a zero on his/her unfinished assignment.

Due Dates/ Late Work

- Due dates for all assignments will be posted on the board and should be written in your assignment book.
- It is **your responsibility** to use your time wisely in class to complete your projects and assignments.
- Sufficient time will be given to complete your assignment in class.
- Art Projects are given a one week grace period from the due date. This is for students who may work at a slower pace or who would like to spend additional time improving their art project.
- During Grace Period, students may come in during **homeroom** or **study hall** to work on art projects with permission.
- An art project is considered late after this grace period and will receive no more than ½ credit for that assignment.

Art Clubs

Open to 6th, 7th, and 8th graders

\$20.00- covers all art materials and
Art Club T-Shirt- Designed by
Art Club Members

**Look for more
information soon!**



**“EVERY CHILD IS
AN ARTIST. THE
PROBLEM IS HOW
TO REMAIN AN
ARTIST ONCE WE
GROW UP”**

Pablo Picasso