Art Class Offerings 2025-26

Art Explorations: Grades 9-12

Tap into your inner artist, get creative and learn how to make the ideas in your head come to life.

This is a prerequisite for the Studio Foundations; Ceramics & Sculpture; and Art, Craft & Jewelry Courses.

Course Description:

Art Explorations is a foundation course designed for students to develop a working knowledge of basic art concepts and techniques in 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional arts.

Students will explore a variety of art mediums to include: graphite, charcoal, pastels, colored pencils, different paints, printmaking materials, textiles, and mixed media. Students will have the opportunity to develop skills and creativity throughout this semester course.

*Students can be exempted from this prerequisite through a Middle School teacher's recommendation.

Media Art: Grades 9-12

Do you ever wonder how the videos on social media and YouTube get made? Do you want to know what goes into making a Podcast?

Course Description:

Media Production is a class that explores audio and visual/digital media. Students will learn and practice the following: interviewing, broadcast writing, script writing, and how to produce video and audio works from idea to completion. Other areas of work include: camera work, teleprompting, directing, video and sound editing.

Students will develop skills and strategies to interpret media and learn to apply appropriate photos, film clips and images as they create a variety of products. Explore real-life opportunities and experiences!

Adaptive Art: Grades 9-12

Do you like helping others? Do you like to practice your leadership skills? This is a fun and creative class where we work together as a team.

Course Description:

This course is designed to provide students with special needs access to a visual arts class that meets their individual needs.

The class joins the special education students with their general education peers where we work together as a team. Projects are fun, creative, and hands-on. General education students will acquire skills in art techniques as well as leadership skills through aiding and instructing.

This course is wonderful for students thinking about going into education or working with students who have different styles of learning.

Introduction to Photography and Design: Grades 9-12

Want to learn how to take outstanding photos and a wiz at Photoshop? Join us to learn the tech side of art.

This course requires access to a digital cell phone camera.

Course Description:

Intro to Photo & Design provides students with the study of art elements and principles of design through the medium of photography.

Students will learn how to use digital SLR cameras and point-and-shoot digital cameras. Using computers and state of the art computer software and Adobe Photoshop, students will learn how to plan and produce compositions that demonstrate an understanding of composition, color and visual impact.

Students will have the opportunities to utilize digital cameras, a flatbed scanner, negative scanner, computer software, and output work on laser printers and professional quality inkjet printers.

Advanced Photography and Design: Grades 10-12 (Has an Honors Option)

Did you love your Introduction to Photography & Design Class? Did it leave you wanting more? Come join us to dig deeper and make more digital art using all your new skills.

This course can be taken more than once. Just talk to your counselor if you want to take it again.

Course Description:

This course is offered to those students who have taken Introduction to Photography & Design and are interested in further exploration in the digital world. Creativity and self expression is the ultimate goal while learning more advanced photography techniques and current trends in the

field. The class will focus on theme-based projects and in-depth studies of a wide variety of subject matter.

The course can offer students who want to pursue a career in Art, Photography, Graphics, or Design the space to create a strong portfolio of work for college admittance and scholarships.

Studio Foundations: Grades 10-12 (Has an Honors Option)

Dive into the unknown, one masterpiece at a time. Studio Foundations will open your eyes to the visual art world, expand your skill set, and help you express yourself visually. This class will push you to become a stronger artist and help you unleash your inner artist.

Course Description:

Studio Foundation is a visual art class that includes a variety of mediums: painting, drawing, printmaking and mixed media. Students will develop a strong foundation in visual literacy and creative problem-solving through a variety of hands-on projects and exercises. A focus of this class is to aid students in being able to turn the creative ideas in their heads into works of art. Students will gain a deeper understanding of the materials, artistic concepts, and how to express themselves through visual art.

<u>Ceramics & Sculpture</u>: *Grades 10-12* (Has an Honors Option)

Are you willing to get your hands dirty? Join us in this class to learn to bring art to life using clay, paper mache and plaster. This class will ignite your imagination. By the end you will bring home art that will last in your family for years to come.

Course Description:

This course provides a comprehensive study in methods of sculpture, hand-built clay construction and basic wheel throwing techniques. Students explore three- dimensional design while developing both functional and sculptural forms. This course will use clay, plaster, paper mache, and wire. Students will learn how to build with and without armatures and molds.

Art, Crafts & Jewelry: Grades 10-12

Have you ever seen a beautiful piece of jewelry and thought how awesome it would be to have that? Well how about learning how to MAKE that piece of jewelry and much more.

Course Description:

Crafts is a less formal art course than Studio Art that explores a hands-on creative experience. The students will work with both traditional and contemporary craft techniques. Students explore a variety of media such as copper tooling, jewelry making, glass, clay, and more.

<u>Advanced Studio Art</u>: Grades 10-12 (2-Dimensional Mediums) (Has an Honors Option)

Push your artistic boundaries and refine your unique voice in this challenging and rewarding advanced studio art class. This class offers a dynamic environment for experimentation and creative exploration.

Course Description:

Advanced Studio Art will allow you to continue creating and developing your skills. Choose what materials you want to master. This class enables highly motivated students to explore personal goals in art. Students will be given greater autonomy as they explore multiple solutions to visual problems and communicate their ideas through the application of visual literacy.

Students will build and present an original portfolio demonstrating their growing mastery of visual communication across fine art disciplines. Students will apply aesthetic and stylistic solutions to create emotionally and conceptually evocative works; synthesizing ideas and material exploration.

The course will culminate in the exhibition of student portfolios.

*This class can be taken multiple times

<u>Advanced Ceramics & Sculpture</u>: *Grades 10-12 (3-Dimensional Mediums)* (Has an Honors Option)

Delve deeper into the art of three dimensions in this advanced class. Come and explore sophisticated techniques in both sculpture and ceramics while pushing the boundaries of your artistic vision.

Course Description:

Advanced Ceramics & Sculpture will allow you to continue creating and developing your skills. Choose what materials you want to master. This class enables highly motivated students to explore personal goals in art. Students will be given greater autonomy as they explore multiple solutions to visual problems and communicate their ideas through the application of visual literacy.

Students will build and present an original portfolio demonstrating their growing mastery of visual communication across fine art disciplines. Students will apply aesthetic and stylistic solutions to create emotionally and conceptually evocative works; synthesizing ideas and material exploration.

The course will culminate in the exhibition of student portfolios.

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AP Art Grades 10-12

Imagine a year-long art adventure where you push your creative boundaries, explore different styles, and build a portfolio that showcases your unique voice. That's AP Art!

Course Description:

AP Art and Design is a rigorous college-level art course offered by the College Board. It's designed to provide a comprehensive and challenging experience for serious high school artists.

AP Art and Design is not based on a written exam; instead, students submit portfolios for evaluation at the end of the school year. There are different portfolio options, such as 2-D Art and Design, 3-D Art and Design, and Drawing.

Why take AP Art?

- College Credit: Earning a high score on the AP Art and Design portfolio can potentially earn you college credit, saving you time and money.
- Portfolio Development: The portfolio-building process provides valuable experience for aspiring art students, preparing them for college applications and future art endeavors.
- Skill Development: AP Art helps you refine your artistic skills, experiment with different mediums, and develop your own unique style.
- Creative Growth: It's a challenging and rewarding experience that encourages you to push your creative boundaries and explore your artistic potential.

If you're a passionate artist with a strong work ethic and a desire to grow, AP Art can be a truly enriching and rewarding experience.

