



Art Program

Elementary Art (K-4): Art courses explore units in drawing, painting, printmaking, color theory, ceramics, sculpture, art history and cultural applications, and critical analysis and aesthetics.

5th Grade: Fifth graders are introduced to project proposals. They explore how technology and the digital age have influenced the process of art making. They get an introduction to art appreciation and aesthetic. They review historic and contemporary artistic practices and examine how the creative process reflects individual expression and individuality. They receive an introduction to composition and three-point, two-point, and one-point perspective. They will understand the effectiveness of one's own composition and make revisions when necessary with an introduction to various careers within the visual arts. Cross-curricular activities will connect the Visual Arts to other core subject areas.

6th Grade: Students will understand and develop project proposals with deeper meaning. They'll be introduced to artist statements and how to write one effectively. They will refine craftsmanship and individually focus & plan for future creative endeavors. They will develop a plan, draft ideas, and revise project plans. They will demonstrate the thinking practices of both historical and contemporary artists and develop a personal aesthetic and appreciation of one's own work and others. Cross-curricular activities will connect the Visual Arts to other core subject areas.

7th Grade: Seventh grade is an introduction to artist statements and artwork critiques. They develop more defined aesthetic opinions when critiquing personal work as well as the work of others. They refine project planning skills, create work that expresses and depicts individual experiences. They will recognize how to visually read artwork and discover artists' intent and meaning. We will review career options in the Visual Arts and art appreciation. Cross-curricular activities will connect the Visual Arts to other core subject areas

8th Grade: Eighth grade Art students apply understanding of the elements and principles of design and use of a variety of materials and mediums. Independent exploration of desired materials is encouraged. Students will develop a greater understanding of collaborative art making and innovation. They will review artist statements and participation in class critiques. Cross-curricular activities will connect the Visual Arts to other core subjects.