

Ms.Ritchie

Studio in Art:



In this class you will learn about creative problem solving while developing lifelong skills such as responsibility, persistence, observation, and self-reflection. Throughout the year, you will experience a broad variety of artistic opportunities. This course will provide you with a great foundation of skills to help you in higher level art courses such as Drawing & Painting, Sculpture, Photography, and AP Art.

Expectations:

- **Be On Time.** You must be in the room and *ready to work* by the time the bell rings. Any lateness will be marked as such. *"Discipline= Freedom"*
- **Be Responsible.** Pay attention to deadlines and due dates. If you are absent for any reason, it is your responsibility to find out what happened in class and make up the work.
- **Be Respectful.** All art materials and works of art should be treated with care. Participate positively in class critiques and discussions. *"Don't Yuck My Yum"* ☺
 - **MIND YOUR OWN SPACE**, be considerate to those around you & keep your hands to yourself.
- **Be Involved.** Apply excellent effort, participate in class discussion and *help maintain organization in the art room*. This class is about YOU and YOUR contribution to the arts; speak up, help out and *Stay Curious!*



Bring Your Own Device CELLPHONE POLICY:

Cellphones will be put away at the beginning of the period and will remain away until the entire class is cleaned up.

Cellphones will be permitted for certain projects. If you are using your cellphone, it should be flat on the table and **ONLY** open to art related information.

EXTRA HELP will be provided _____
Extended extra help hours will be available on certain days. Please let me know in class when you are planning to attend extra help.

****DETENTION WILL BE HELD BEFORE SCHOOL ON TUESDAYS. You are responsible to let me know if you are unable to attend a scheduled detention so we can reschedule. ****

Grading Policy

In this art course A's aren't gifted, they are *earned*. Even students who feel they may not be "artists" can excel in this class based on **effort** and **growth in ability**. Marking period grades will be determined as follows...

Projects: 50%

Completed projects and grading rubrics will be used to determine your success at meeting the criteria of a lesson.

Ample class time will be given to complete projects, if you feel you are falling behind it is *your responsibility* to attend extra help **before** the project is due. Late projects will lose credit.

Art Studies: 30%

You will keep an up to date collection of class notes and art exercises. This will help us keep track of your development over the year.

Homework Assignments: 10%

Homework will be assigned 4 times per marking quarter. Each assignment will be graded and all work must be handed in on time.

PACT Grade: 10%

Positive Art Character Traits: Year 1 is geared toward developing Focus, Respect and Cooperation in the art world.

Your PACT grade will be an assessment of your overall class involvement, behavior, preparedness, effort and attitude. All students are expected to assist in keeping the studio environment in working order by participating in set up and cleanup of materials.

****Please note:** It is expected that you are constantly seeking ways to improve your abilities in the arts. There is *always* room for growth and development, "you don't have to be 'bad', to get better." If you are unhappy with your results the first time, the majority of projects in this class may be redone. If you wish to resubmit your work, please let me know as soon as you receive your grade and we will discuss ways to improve upon it.

Check out my web page for assignments and extra credit opportunities: <http://msritchieart.weebly.com/>

Please review the expectations and grading policy and sign below:

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Student signature Print name

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Parent/Guardian signature Print name