

Art II Materials and Methods

Mr. Martinez

The primary goal for this course is to develop your understanding of art materials, use and application, through research of other artists' and their work.

Student Outcomes

Projects in drawing, painting, printmaking, and sculpture will be explored and analyzed to find the inherent advantages and disadvantages in each. This knowledge will help each student apply media and techniques to projects in a relevant and creative manner. As students gain a sense of the problems faced by artists, they also begin to understand how artists conceive, refine, and execute their ideas. With this understanding, the student can begin to sense the value and importance artists play in a culturally diverse world. This course will include at least one computer based project.

Course sequence up to Christmas Break

Laptop review and Uses in Art Materials and Methods Preview Materials and Methods Research Individual project 1 Group project 2 Individual project 2

Text

We will not be using a text in this class. Information will be presented to students through the use of web sites, books and previous student work.

In-class

Class attendance is important and is recorded for each class. Students are expected to come prepared for each class by bringing the necessary assignments, materials, class notebook, etc. Students are expected to be in their seats with their materials out within 5 minutes of class starting. To achieve an adequate understanding of the subject matter requires considerable effort on the part of the teacher and the student. Students will be required to respect themselves and others in class. With this in mind be aware of the effect you have on your education and bring your supplies. If you are not prepared for class your grade will be lowered for that day.

Out-of-class

There may be outside-of-class events such as field trips that have mandatory projects for you to complete during your trip. They will be averaged into you final grade. If are not able to attend a trip you will be responsible for the material or a make-up project.

Final portfolio/notebook

At the end of the semester you will be required to submit a portfolio representing the work from most of the assignments completed during the semester. It is important that you keep all of your work and that you protect it from damage. Any student who is interested in pursuing a career in the arts should keep every piece of work for future applications to shows or schools. More on this later.

Homework and Project deadlines

Completed homework and projects should be adequately thought out, technically well presented and crafted to match a professional attitude. They should also be ready to hand in at the beginning of class.

Grades

Each project will be graded on a variety of issues such as effort, craft, inventiveness, content, and following directions. You will receive a grading rubric before each project. The following list explains your final grade. All projects will be worth 40% of your final grade, class effort and participation 20%, written work and tests are worth 20%, homework 10%, and readiness 10%.

Tests

Will be given throughout the year. I will make every attempt to help you prepare for each test. If you feel you need more help you must ask me before the test begins. I cannot help you if you do not help yourself.

Supplies

Each student will need a small amount of supplies with them during each class. They include but are not limited to a notebook, pen, 5 No.2 pencils, 12 inch ruler, Mars white eraser, kneaded eraser, large Zip Lock bag, laptop computer.

Questions

No class or instructor can cover everything. It is important for you as a student to realize your own influence upon the education process. Ask questions of the faculty and other students. When the class permits interact with the other students to get their opinions and to state yours. Parents and students may contact me at home about questions and emergencies before 8pm, 410-810-2781. Questions may be sent via e-mail to jamesmartinez@wyeriverupperschool.org. I check my e-mail at school regularly but cannot guarantee it will be checked after 5pm when I am home.

Technology

Students should bring their laptop to class with them every day. It should be kept closed and in your book bag until you are instructed to use it. Music may only be played with headphones when the teacher gives you permission. Failure to follow these rules will result in loss of privileges in class.

Please sign and return to Mr. Martinez.

Student Name _____ Date _____

Parent Name _____ Date _____