

6th Grade Art

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Open Studio Time 2:13-3:30 pm Monday

You are expected to keep this syllabus in your sketchbook for reference during this course.

Materials List:

The following materials are supplies that you are responsible for and are expected to be with you in class daily. Most of the following items were in your supply list, but I have placed items that are specific to this course in bold type. Students are expected to have all materials by Friday, August 24.

Pencils	12 inch Ruler	Handheld pencil sharpener
Eraser	\$5.00 fee (for sketchbook)	

Optional, but helpful supplies: colored pencils. Watercolor paints, scissors, set of paintbrushes

Course Objectives:

The purpose of this course is to enable students to develop basic art appreciation skills through the production of two- and three-dimensional works of art. Activities may include drawing, painting, printmaking, collage and sculpting.

Course Content

This course will be divided into units based on the Elements and Principles of Design.

- Elements of Design: Line, Shape, Form, Color, Value, Space, Texture
- Principles of Design: Balance, Unity, Variety, Emphasis, Pattern, Proportion, Movement and Rhythm

Within each unit we will also study a variety of artists, media, techniques, and art careers

Classroom Expectations and Procedures

Entering/Exiting the room

- If you are leaving the room for any reason you need to have a completed agenda pass with you
- When you enter the room, look at the “complete now” chart. You are responsible for immediately completing that activity in your sketchbook. Be sure to label that activity and date it. (See example) If you miss a class or are tardy, you are still responsible for completing that activity. These will be graded when you turn in your sketchbooks.
- At the end of class I will dismiss each table individually.

Cleaning

You are responsible for any messes you have accidentally or intentionally created.

Intentional messes (drawing on tables, leaving supplies out, etc.) will result in a check

Signing finished artwork

Sign and date your artwork on the front, right bottom corner of your artwork. On the back of your artwork, if your signature is not legible, print your name and write the title on the right corner of the back your artwork.

If you finish early, you have the following options:

- Work on your sketchbook assignment for the week
- Free draw in your sketchbook
- Browse through the classroom library and choose a book to look through/ draw from

Except for the sketchbook assignment, these assignments that you complete after finishing a project early will not be graded individually; therefore, you do not need to turn them in, rather, they will be a part of your effort/participation grade.

Absences:

If a student is absent, he or she may check assignments online, or stay after school during the open studio time. After an absence, students will have one day to turn in assignments with the exception of the sketchbook (see grading criteria for the sketchbook). Students will only be allowed to make up excused absences work. Students must make every effort to maintain good attendance. Please check page 11 in the online handbook for McKeel policy on absences.

Appropriate Content for Artwork

While art comes in many forms and depicts various themes and subjects, this course still has boundaries by which you must abide. Any artwork depicting: nudity; drugs/alcohol; gang related symbols or themes; or promoting racism will not be accepted for a grade. There will also be consequences based on the level of the offense. Violence is a gray area (ranging from

Aliens with stun guns to war images) and should be considered carefully. Please speak to me if you plan to depict any sort of violence to ensure that you are still within the boundaries of this course.

Plagiarism

Plagiarism is a form of cheating and will be treated in the same way. You will receive a handout with more information on plagiarism specific to images and the visual arts. Please refer to it or speak with me if you have a concern.

Grading Scale:

90-100	A
80-89	B
70-79	C
60-69	D
59 & below	F

Grading

Tests

Quizzes

Studio Designs

Class Participation

Sketchbook

Tests 200 points

Quizzes 150 points

Studio Designs 100-200 pts

Studio Designs are designs that you complete in the art classroom. Your grade will be assigned based on a rubric that you will receive at the beginning of each studio design. The points range from 100 to 200 based on the length of time that we spend on each studio design. All studio designs and rubrics will be kept in your portfolio for the length of the course.

assignment is not turned in the first day back, all late grades apply.

Late work

Students may turn in work one day late for half credit. Work received any later than one day late will receive a zero.

Class Participation 100 points

Class participation points will be assigned at random during the course. The points will be awarded based on critique participation, discussions, and notes.

Sketchbook 100 points

- o Sketchbooks are due at the beginning of class on the due date
- o The *minimum time* investment expected is 1 hour. Students must complete at least one sketchbook assignment of their choosing. If you complete the assignment in less than the minimum time, the rest of the time can be spent working on art of your choosing (within the boundaries of this class)
- o Sketchbooks are generally evaluated with the chart which follows. Categories may be adjusted from week to week to match the learning objective of the assignment.
- o Late sketchbooks are accepted one day late (50 points off) at any point after that, the student is given a score of zero, which cannot be made up.

When a student is absent on the grading day, the sketchbook is due the first day back. That is the only grace day. If the

<i>Sketchbook Grading Categories</i>	<i>Points</i>
Completed the assignment according to the directions	1-25
Used the entire page/Correctly labeled everything	1-25
Page is well designed/ interesting composition	1-25
Time and effort (1 hour) is evident in craftsmanship and detail	1-25

<i>If turned in one day late 1/2 credit later than one day--0 points can be earned</i>	
Total score	Sum of above