

ART EXTENSIONS

Grade 7 or 8 for Semester Class

If in 7th grade, must also sign up for Art Foundations

Grade 8 for All-Year Class

**The Semester and All-Year Class are different classes and may both be taken together or during separate semesters*

\$25 materials for semester

\$50 materials fee for year

Advanced instruction combining art skills like drawing, shading, painting, and sculpture with research into the ideas driving contemporary art work.



A field trip to the Torpedo Factory in Alexandria and the Hirshhorn Gallery are often included with this class.

This class gives students planning on studying art in high school a “head start” as an artist!!!!

“The arts give children a unique means of expression, capturing their passions and emotions, and allowing them to explore new ideas, subject matter, and cultures. They bring us joy in every aspect of our lives.”

-Dr. Terry Bergeson, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Washington State, November 2001



Young people who participate in the arts are:

- 4 times more likely to be recognized for academic achievement
- 4 times more likely to participate in a math and science fair.
- 3 times more likely to win an award for school attendance
- 4 times more likely to win an award for writing an essay or poem.

In addition, young arts participants as compared with their peers are likely to:

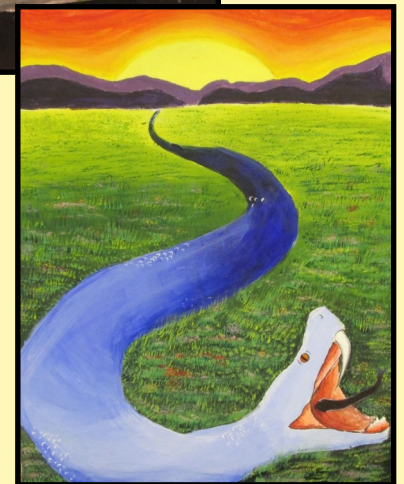
- Read for pleasure nearly twice as often
- Participate in youth groups nearly four times as frequently
- Perform community service nearly twice as often.

Source: Dr. Shirley Brice Heath, Stanford University, for the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

ART ELECTIVES for 7th and 8th graders

- ART FOUNDATIONS
- 3-D EXPLORATIONS
- COMPUTERS IN ART
- ART EXTENSIONS

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ART FOUNDATIONS

Grades 7 or 8
\$25 materials fee

ART FOUNDATIONS teaches foundational skills needed by artists: drawing, shading, painting, using a palette, printmaking, sculpture with clay, and graphic design.

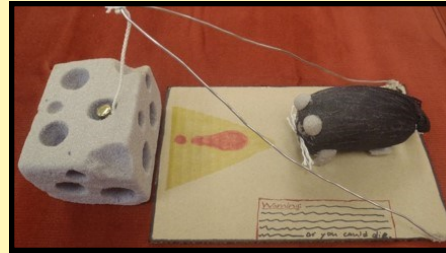
Creative problem solving and visual literacy are taught along with technical skills in art.



Students will draw inspiration from the study of work by traditional and contemporary artists and apply it to personally meaningful art.

3-D EXPLORATIONS

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\$25 materials fee



No prerequisite course-work required.

3-D EXPLORATIONS students will build original works of art with their hands!

Instruction includes

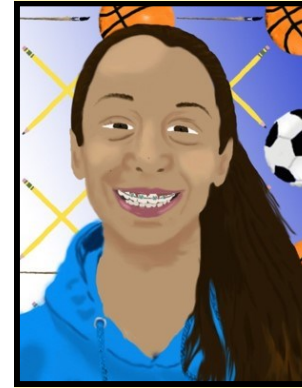


three-dimensional drawing and shading techniques, architecture, using

recycled materials like cardboard and plastic bottles, sculptures with clay and paper mache— any materials that our students can get their hands on!

COMPUTERS IN ART

Grades 7 or 8
\$25 materials fee



COMPUTERS IN ART (CIA) students learn to use professional graphics software like **Adobe Photoshop** and **Adobe Illustrator**.

Basic animation principles are also introduced.

Projects are done primarily on the computer and can include:

- Logo design
- Portraits
- Comic books
- Digital collage
- Character animation

