



ART



**ART 7
GRADE 7**

Counselors are available to assist parents and students with course selections and career planning. Parents may arrange to meet with the counselor by calling the school's guidance department.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This nine-week course focuses on the study of concepts and ideas that make connections between art and life through the disciplines of aesthetics, art criticism, art history, and art production. Studio skill development is emphasized in drawing, painting, printmaking, ceramics and crafts. Students will examine world cultures through contemporary and historical art.

PREREQUISITE

None

OPTIONS FOR NEXT COURSE

Art 8

REQUIRED STUDENT TEXTBOOK

ART: A Community Connection, 2001, Eldon Katter and Marilyn G. Stewart

THE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ATTITUDES THAT COMPRISE THE ART 7 COURSE ARE SUMMARIZED AS FOLLOWS FROM THE PRESCRIBED CURRICULUM:

TOPICS OF STUDY

AESTHETICS

What Are the Big Issues About Art?

- 7.1 Students will discuss the criteria which determines if something is art.
- 7.2 Students will investigate the purposes of art.
- 7.3 Students will understand that artworks acquire meaning and value from multiple sources.
- 7.4 Students will examine criteria for judging the quality of artwork.

ART CRITICISM

How Do We Respond to Works of Art?

- 7.5 Students will understand the use of personal and contextual information for interpretation.
- 7.6 Students will understand how individual parts unify the meaning of the whole when interpreting the artwork.
- 7.7 Students will use multiple forms of expression such as writing, verbal, and performance to interpret artworks.
- 7.8 Students will use a variety of interpretive approaches such as biographical, historical, or contextual to interpret artworks.
- 7.9 Students will interpret artwork for symbolic or metaphorical meaning.

ART HISTORY

How Does Art Relate to history and culture?

- 7.9 Students will interpret artwork for symbolic or metaphorical meaning.
- 7.10 Students will use artworks as a primary source of historical and cultural understanding.

ART PRODUCTION

How and Why Do We Make Art?

- 7.10 Students will explore and experiment with various media and techniques when expressing ideas.
- 7.11 Students will use technology for researching and expressing ideas.
- 7.12 Students will create artwork based on prior experiences and new knowledge.
- 7.13 Students will incorporate knowledge from subject areas other than art to produce artwork.
- 7.14 Students will use problem-solving strategies to express ideas and themes in art production.
- 7.15 Students will use artworks as a primary source of historical and cultural understanding.



Mission Statement

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Dr. James G. Merrill, Superintendent

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