

## **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Visual Art**

### *Course Description*

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Visual Art is a three quarter elective and an introductory course to the visual arts. This course will prepare students for the Art I curriculum. Students will learn how to see and draw while learning about the elements and principles of design. Various media will be used to explore the elements and principles including but not limited to graphite, pen and ink, color pencil, pastel, charcoal, watercolor, and tempera paint.

### *Class Policies*

- All rules set forth by the 2016-2017 Ascension Episcopal School Parent/Student Handbook will be enforced in class.
- As a viable member of Ascension Episcopal School faith community, you are expected and required to behave in a Christian manner in and out of class.
- Genuine respect and courtesy for all adults and students will be demanded at all times.
- Inappropriate studio conduct includes: negative attitude towards your project and peers, not following directions, failure to have materials for projects or assignments, disruption of class in any manner, not properly caring for art supplies, and doing other class work while in class.

### *Grades*

- Productivity: efficient use of time during projects, discussions, and critiques. Students are not to work on outside assignments during art time.
- Assignments: Your assignments will be graded with a specific rubric in mind according to the purpose of the project. In general you will be graded on 3 things: process, creativity, and your craftsmanship.
- Sketchbook: You will turn in your sketchbook every Friday for a grade worth 10 points each week.

### *Studio Management*

- Cleaning: Students are responsible for caring for all materials properly including cleaning and putting things in their proper place.
- Phones: Cell phones are strictly prohibited in class according to the 2016-2017 student handbook. Phones will be taken away during class if it becomes an issue.
- Hall Pass: Students are not allowed to leave for the first OR last 10 minutes of class. Students may only be excused with permission from instructor.

### *Contact Information*

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