

VISUAL ARTS WITH MRS. GROENSTEIN

BIG IDEA: Inspiring Growth - Achieving Success

Through the creation of art-making students will celebrate their creative spirit, foster self-expression, inspire pride and encourage self-discipline and achievement.

Within the Visual Arts program at East Windsor Middle School students will assemble works of art utilizing artistic tools and mediums within a constructive and communal environment. Students will learn to foster a more whole-brained scholastic experience, creative techniques and demonstrate problem solving skills as they study foundations and the elements and principles of design. Students will discover personal meaning while experimenting with art and integrating multiple disciplines.

ESSENTIAL QUESTION:

Why might learning about art impact not only how we see the world but how we see ourselves; past, present and future?

HOW TO SUCCEED IN VISUAL ARTS:

Students will understand even if not artistically inclined, by displaying outstanding effort they will gain both art appreciation and lasting skills, as well as fostering self-discipline and perseverance.

Follow school values: **The Way to Be: Be Respectful · Be Responsible · Be Productive · Be Safe**

Aim for the best and try to do the right thing; Be a positive leader and stay on task.

Respect yourself, your classmates, your teachers, your supplies, and the classroom.

Trust in yourself and your ability to learn; Allow yourself to take chances.

Inside voices; Focus on the work and not the conversation and work quietly.

Stay safe and keep your hands and your feet to yourself and use materials appropriately.

Turn mistakes into masterpieces; Don't be afraid to fail and work from mistakes.

ONLINE and AT HOME REMOTE LEARNERS!

Respect others while in meetings: Give full attention: Sit up, no cell phones, video games, or lying down.

Engage in weekly lessons during your assigned class times and weekly assignments offered.

Mute yourself while the teacher or another student is presenting information.

Offer only encouragement and use kind words. No mean spirited or inappropriate conversations allowed.

Try your best and help one another through Teams, you may just have the solution.

Effective online engagement only: No unnecessary side conversations unrelated to class or assignments.

**BE A WILLING PARTICIPANT IN YOUR EDUCATION,
KEEP AN OPEN MIND AND HAVE A POSITIVE ATTITUDE!**

STUDENT GRADING POLICY:

40% Overall Performance: Final assignments/projects quality and completion

30% Studio: productivity, participation and time on task

15% Written/verbal assessments: Content knowledge

15% Behavior - Students must follow school wide and art expectations to succeed.

- Conduct/behavior effect overall quality, participation and performance.
- Work can be handed in until the end of each quarter.

Students are able to make appointments with Mrs. Groenstein through Teams for questions and connections. Make up work is responsibility of individual students.

Online school art site: <https://wildcatsarts.weebly.com>