



Sixth Grade Art



The 6th grade art program's goals are to enable students to develop a knowledge base on which to build lifelong learning; develop students' artistic appreciation, including its multicultural dimension; and provide educational opportunities for students to make choices which enrich the quality of life. Fine arts teachers work cooperatively with classroom teachers to enhance concepts taught in the other content areas. This interaction is accomplished while students further develop their knowledge of the elements of art and principles of design. The main goals are:

- Identify and experiment with a variety of materials, techniques, and processes, such as: drawing, painting, ceramics, mixed media, and sculpture
- Choose materials, techniques, and processes which enhance the communication of ideas
- Analyze and evaluate the selection and use of materials, techniques, and processes
- Know and use appropriate art vocabulary inside and outside of the art room!
- Practice and demonstrate the skills of craftsmanship
- Use materials and tools in a safe and responsible manner
- Encourage students' critical thinking skills, and foster classroom dialogue
- Study of art history (*Frida Khalo, Romare Bearden, Pablo Picasso, Katsushika Hokusai, Leonardo DaVinci, Wayne Thiebaud...to name a few!*)
- Develop a better understanding of the world through art by investigating art from other cultures

An Art materials usage fee is required of each student instead of a supply list. Fundraisers will also be done to supplement needed art materials and equipment. Your support will be appreciated.

We have several district and school art shows throughout the year. At the end of the Spring Semester, there will be an Art Department Show. *Every student will have a piece of their artwork matted and displayed!* The art show will be judged by an artist in the community, awarding each student a ribbon. All artwork will be brought home at the end of the school year to allow the department to display your students' artwork in our community during the school year.



On behalf of the Fine Arts Department at Deerpark Middle School, we are delighted to have you as part of the art team and look forward to celebrating your many art accomplishments!

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