

Course Description:

In this course students will work with a variety of sculptural media, which may include paper, papier mache, wood, wire, and clay. With clay, students will learn and execute three basic hand building techniques (pinch, coil, and slab). Sculptural design elements will be explored through additive and subtractive techniques. The use of a pottery wheel will also be explored.

Upon completion of this course, students will have a better understanding and appreciation for artifacts made by artisans from other cultures, as well as artwork made by some professional artists.

What I expect from you and what you should expect from each other:

- I wear an apron. This is a messy class, so bring in an old shirt to wear over your clothes. I don't have enough aprons for everyone.
- Come to class on time with ID, PENCILS and erasers, ceramic tools, plan books, and ceramic binders.
- No food, gum., or drink (except water)
- Treat the studio space and equipment with care. A set of tools will be assigned to each student. A replacement/repair fee of \$20.00 will be assessed to the student for any damaged or lost equipment.

Grading Policy:

- **50%:: Art Projects**
Culminating Art Projects
Completed project on time
Met project objectives
Craftsmanship (how carefully and neatly you handled your project
Written work included with a project
Studio management (how you treated the materials and studio space_
- **40%:: Other (Art Binder, sketches, quizzes, homework for grading, etc.)**
Binder checks
Sketch assignments
Handouts
Warm-up activities
Quizzes (vocabulary, word of the day)
- **10% : Homework for practice or preparation**

Reteaching and reassessment is ongoing in ceramics class. In compliance with the MCPS policy on reteaching and reassessment, students may have the opportunity to redo assignments one time after relearning the skills necessary to obtain the assigned objective. Students need to be aware that it is the grade received after the reteaching/relearning which will be recorded for that project.

- Work submitted **on time can be reassessed.**
- Work that is submitted **late (after the due date but before the deadline date)** will have **10% taken off the grade and can not be reassessed.**
- Work submitted **after the deadline date is not accepted. You will receive a zero.**
- **Final projects and exams may not be retaught or reassessed..**
- **Binders and the last assignment of the quarter can not be reassessed.**

If you become at risk for **losing credit due to three (3)** or more unexcused absences, you must submit an LC Petition form within ten (10) days of the second notice being sent. I will not accept a petition form beyond the ten days and you will lose credit for the class.

Please sign this letter to indicate that you have read and understand the expectations and requirements of this course.

Student Name (print clearly) _____ Date _____

Student Signature _____

Parent/Guardian name (print clearly) _____ Date _____ Email _____

Parent/ Guardian signature _____

_____ Email _____

Day time/ Work Phone # _____