

## **Ceramics/Sculpture 2 (6383/6393)**

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### **Course Description:**

Students create original artwork inspired by natural and historically significant ceramics forms. The formulation and firing characteristics of basic glazes are studied. Additional techniques for throwing on the pottery wheel are included. Kiln theory is introduced as students learn to stack and monitor the kiln. A variety of surface decoration techniques are applied to artworks. Craftsmanship, efficiency and safe studio practices are emphasized.

### **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
  - Quizzes
- **45%:: Other (Art Binder, sketches, quizzes, homework for grading, etc.)**
  - Binder checks
  - Sketch assignments
  - Handouts
  - Warm-up activities
- **5% Homework**

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

- 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 sketch books.
- 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

*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.
- Sketches and the last assignment of the quarter can not be reassessed.

**Due to the extreme budget cuts in MCPS, we must assess a student fee each semester of \$5. This required course fee will cover the components of all take home projects. Please make your check payable to MBHS and submit to the teacher by September 15, 2015.**

I have read the classroom rules and school policy. I agree to abide by them. **Please return to teacher with required fee.**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_