

**Sterling Heights High School - Visual Arts Program** 2016-2017 Syllabus

**Art Studio Project Assessments**- aka Tests, are graded using a rubric with points assigned related to the goals of the assignment. Criteria & objectives will be given at the beginning of each project.

**Weekly Sketchbook Assessment & Homework-** are graded on completion & effort. CompleteALLassignments to ensure a passing grade.

**Digital Art Portfolio**- students will create an art portfolio of their work by uploading artwork & sketches using the app *Seesaw*.

This semester course is designed to give students a visual arts experience that will

boost their *critical thinking habits*, improve *artistic abilities*, develop *visual communication skills*

and broaden their *creativity and understanding of the art world*.

Parents and Guardians,

The following are the guidelines for my classroom art studio. I may be contacted by email or phone. Please understand that I may not be able to return emails or phone calls until after school. I will do my best to promptly address your concerns. I look forward to teaching your budding artist about the visual arts!

The majority of class work will be assessed using goals

and criteria based on the **Studio Habits of Mind**:

-Develop Craft/Skill

-Engage and persist in the art process

-Envision/Plan

-Express/Communicate

-Observe

-Reflect/Critique

-Stretch & Explore/Risk Taking

-Understand Art World/Make Connections

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**WCS Grading Policy -** Letter grades range from A+ =100% to F= 49%-0%. Assessments = 75% of the student’s grade; Homework = 25%. Grades will be updated on a weekly basis in Power School.

Sign up for **TEXT** **ASSIGNMENT REMINDERS** with Remind.com or get the app

**1st hr -  Text @SHHS-Art1 to 81010 4th hr -  Text @SHHS-Art4 to 81010**

**2nd hr -  Text @SHHS-Art2 to 81010 5th hr -  Text @SHHS-Art5 to 81010**

**3rd hr -  Text @SHHS-Art3 to 81010 6th hr -  Text @SHHS-Art6 to 81010**

 **Art Club (NAHS) -  Text @sh-artclub to 81010 AP Art -  Text @SH-apart17 to 81010**

**Follow our class art studio Instagram @stallionartists**

***Class Supplies***

*-wood pencil + eraser -colored pencils , 12 or 24 ct (optional)*

*-40-50pg sketchbook (9x12) [or buy from teacher $2]* \*box of Facial Tissue (Extra Credit)

 (sketching or drawing paper only, NO spiral binding)

**Participation-** Class time is when the vast majority of the art work will be completed. If you are slacking on your work, it will harm your grade. I expect all students to put forth an honest effort in and out of class time. Class critiques will be done on professional and student artwork. Appropriate comments and constructive criticism are acceptable. Sleeping in class is not permitted, you will be woken up from your nap.

**Attendance**- If students are absent, they need to check with the teacher the first day they return after the absence for missed assignments and handouts. Students have the number of days they were absent to make-up their work.

\*If needed, class supplies may be signed out to complete a project at home. Students may make arrangements to come after school to complete assignments.

**Assignments** will range in difficulty, size and amount of work. In addition to in-class projects, you will be assigned weekly sketchbooks related to topics and skills that are being taught. There may be time to work on sketches during class.

**Sketchbook**- Your **sketchbook** is considered your **textbook**, have it with you each day**.** Sketchbook assignments are graded on a credit/no credit basis and will be due on the same day each week. The sketchbook is also used for the planning stages of your assignments and to practice art techniques.

**- Art Studio Policies –**

**1. BE ON TIME, ALERT & PREPARED**- ID, agenda, homework, sketchbook, pencil. Tardy referrals will be enforced at the 3rd, 5th and 7th tardy

**2. SHARE & BE RESPECTFUL** of the art studio, classmates’ artwork & supplies provided in the art studio. Students found destroying artwork, supplies or property will be written up for disciplinary action.

**3. ASK** if you need a supply that is not visible instead of exploring the room for it.

**4. INFORM** the teacher if there is a problem before it becomes an emergency. (ex. If something breaks, grade concern, issue with a deadline, student concern, etc.).

**5. CLEAN UP** after yourself & all the supplies that you used.

**6. NO FOOD/DRINK** in the art room. Water is the exception.

**7. ID & AGENDA** are needed for a pass. Choose wisely to use a pass.

**8. BACKPACKS & PURSES** need to stay off the art tables.

**9. PERSONAL SUPPLIES-** Each student will have a designated area to safely store class work. If you bring in your own art materials, you are responsible for them.

**10. RED ZONE=NO CELL PHONES-** The WCS cell phone policy will be enforced for inappropriate usage. On occasion, we will use smart phones for an art related class activity, to photograph artwork or for photo reference.

**11. lATE WORK-** weekly sketches will receive reduced credit and may be turned in **up to 2 days late**. Work that is not complete at the start of class is also late.

**12. Be Original-** DO NOT plagiarize from another student, famous artist, the Internet, etc. A bad idea is better than cheating. Students that are found cheating will receive a “zero” for the assignment and will be written up for disciplinary action.