

Beginning Digital Art Syllabus

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Digital Art is the foundation level for digital art studies throughout high school. Student will have introductory experiences in using digital media to photograph, edit and digitally create artwork. The course emphasizes the study of the elements of art and principles of design, color theory, vocabulary, art criticism, digital art history, and artistic integrity. The approach to art experiences is exploratory in respect to digital imaging and making use of a variety of systems. Students are provided a strong foundation in design and vocabulary in a teacher-structured environment. Professionalism, problem solving and decision making are emphasized throughout Digital Art courses.

Beginning Digital Art students are expected to purchase some basic supplies. Please refer to the supply list provided.

Grading:

Participation: 20%- Class participation grades include: attention to task, cooperation and collaboration, time management, task completion, caring for classroom and supplies

Projects: 60%- This is a studio based class. For that reason, projects are also very important. There will be 4-7 projects due each 9 weeks. Students will lose one letter grade if the project is turned in late.

Homework and writing assignments: 20%

Final exam: 25% of their final grade. (consists of a teacher constructed test as well as assessment of student portfolio. Exemptions no longer apply to final exams.)

The student will be graded not only on how well he or she meets the goal of the class, but also their attitude and effort. Even students who have limited artistic talent can do reasonably well if they work hard and do their best. They must turn in ***all*** projects. At the end of the nine-weeks, each student will have the opportunity to re-do one project to increase their grade. All work is due *on the due date*, please communicate with me about any special circumstances. Early finisher work is available daily and will be collected for extra credit only after completion of the assigned work. Forgetting a project, tool or material at home is NOT acceptable, additional work will be assigned during class and will count in the project grade. Again, lost work must be redone and kept in student artwork folders, USB drive or Google Drive.

Art rules / Guidelines

Students are expected to:

1. Follow teacher's instructions and abide by RHS rules
2. Be respectful to others and their work
3. Enter the room quietly get materials and begin work promptly
4. Keep the room clean and return all materials to their appropriate place
5. Make up missed work when absent
6. Leave food/drinks outside of the classroom (a bottled water is acceptable if closed and placed on the floor, not table tops)
7. Use the restroom before class. Only one bathroom visit will be allowed per week.

Art Fee: The art fee is \$10 and pays for all other supplies needed for class during the year.

Please acknowledge that you understand requirements for this Art class and agree to show effort in all listed areas.

Parent Signature _____ Student Signature _____

Supply List

Students are expected to purchase the following supplies:

- 8.5"x 11" or larger spiral bound sketch book – Available through school
- Lined paper for notes
- Ruler
- 4 GB or larger flash drive for digital portfolio - it may be one used for other classes
- Digital Camera or cell phone

Art Fee is \$10 and covers all other supplies

Digital Art Prospective Course Outline

(Some projects/timelines may change to suit learning needs)

Week 1	Pre-assessment Learning to see exercises
Week 2	blob animal project positive/negative space sketches intro to Pixlr / Photoshop
Week 3	Elements of Art Principles of Design
Week 4	History of Photography & Digital Art
Week 5	Lighting
Week 6	Portraiture
Week 7	Portraiture continued
Week 8	Landscape photography
Week 9	Landscape continued
Week 10	Macro photography
Week 11	photo restoration
Week 12	Critique
Week 13	creative photo editing
Week 14	Critiques Due
Week 15	Digital Surreal collage
Week 16	Exploring Digital Media & Careers
Week 17 - 18	finish up / exam review