

*"A good picture is equivalent to a good deed."
Vincent Van Gogh, 1890*

This course is designed to introduce students to the fundamentals of drawing, painting and compositional design. Students will explore a variety of concepts and techniques of art making centered around the Elements of Art and Principles of Design. As a Drawing/Painting I student you will have the opportunity to develop your drawing and painting skills and learn to critique artwork utilizing the language of visual arts.

Student Expectations

Please be punctual and ready for instruction when the bell rings.

Be respectful to all and treat the materials in the studio with respect. Students are expected to clean up their work area, clean supplies and return them to their proper places.

Each day a new "Bell Ringer" will be posted. This is to be completed while I take attendance. Bell Ringers will be checked weekly.

Assignments should be done to the best of your ability. Late assignments will not receive full credit unless prior arrangements have been made with me. If you are absent, it is your responsibility to find out what you missed and make it up.

School rules concerning cell phones and electronic devices will be enforced.

Your attitude is reflected in your work. Please be positive!

Homework Expectations

Homework is not generally assigned. Since most work will be done in class, regular attendance is vital.

Class Participation

You are expected to use your time in class focused on making art. Time is divided between drawing, painting, writing exercises and full projects.

Grading

Art grades are based on effort, responsibility, following directions, quality, craftsmanship, creativity, and meeting the standards and benchmarks stated in each rubric for each assignment. See information above on late assignments.

Required Materials

You are expected to bring a pencil and eraser to class each day. A 3-prong/2 pocket folder is needed to maintain Bell work, handouts and written work. All other materials needed for class

will be provided. Drawing/Painting I students need a large, empty cereal box to create a handmade sketchbook. Please have a black Sharpie.

Students are asked to submit **\$10** to the art department to help provide appropriate supplies and materials to supplement those provided by the school. These supplies will enhance the students' artistic development.

Extra credit is given for paper towels, box of tissues, and/or 20# white copier paper.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact me at Christinasm@leeschools.net or 561-0060.

This syllabus outlines what is expected of students. Your signature acknowledges willingness to meet these expectations. Please sign and return to me within five (5) days for a grade of 100%.

Thank you for your support,

Mrs. Miller

Student Name (print) _____

Student Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

Work phone _____ Email address _____