

# Larsen Middle School Art

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## **Welcome to Larsen Middle School Art Class**

This 9-week course provides students with a visual arts foundation. It gives students the opportunity to learn the language of the arts in terms of the elements of art (line, shape, color, texture, space, value and form) and principles of design (balance, contrast, emphasis, movement, pattern, rhythm and unity). Students will understand the role of the arts in civilizations past and present as they study the function of art and how it shapes and reflects history, society and everyday life. Students are encouraged to develop a unique and individual means of self-expression as they explore various media, processes and techniques. Areas of concentration may include drawing, painting, sculpture, printmaking and mixed media. Each student will be expected to keep a portfolio of their work throughout the quarter to be returned to them on the last day of class.

## **Required Course Materials**

Pencil  
Case It/Binder  
Planner  
Charged Chromebook

## **Classroom Expectations**

Students are expected to adhere to the Larsen Middle School Classroom Matrix -  
Live Respectfully  
Make Responsible Choices  
Safety First

## **Reassessment Policy**

Grades will be computed on a 4-0 marks scale:

4- Mastery 3-Proficiency 2-Developing Proficiency 1-Initial Proficiency 0-No Evidence.

Rubrics will be used for student self-assessment as well as instructor assessment.

**\*\*\*Students are required to keep track of their own grades on Infinite Campus\*\*\***

**Homework/Classwork Policy:** All summative projects are to be completed in class.

There will occasionally be homework.

All assignments/formatives for a unit must be completed along with a possible enhancement activity to ensure more success on a retake. Whatever a student scores on the retake will be the grade that counts, even if that grade is lower than the original score. In addition, all summatives must be completed/retaken 2 days prior to the end of the quarter. Once the quarter ends and students rotate, the gradebook is closed.

## **Other Classroom Policies**

Students will bring their chromebook to class each day charged and ready to use, when appropriate, throughout the class period. Any inappropriate use of the Chromebook will result in a consequence and possible loss of computer privileges in my class.

