

Community Unit School District 200

Sculpture and Mixed Media Grade 9-12 Elective One Semester Course

Course Description:

This course will explore a multitude of mediums and materials associated with Sculpture and Mixed Media. Within each unit, students will be challenged with different materials and specific processes in order to create functional and sculptural works of art. Elements of Art and Principles of Design will be at the foundation of the creative process in conjunction with artist research and peer feedback. Students will also be introduced to, and become proficient with, a variety of tools and equipment used in the creation of their projects. The course will consist of five units that range from two to four weeks in length. The units of study will be Paper Craft/Foamboard/Cardboard; Wire; Glass/Casting; Plaster; and Installations.

Essential Standards:

Students will apply visual arts materials, techniques and processes to achieve a high level of craftsmanship inherent in each particular medium.

Students will evaluate and reflect on their own, peers and other artists' artwork to meet departmental guidelines and expectations.

Students will apply relevant criteria from traditional and contemporary cultural contexts to examine, reflect on, and plan revisions for works of art and designs in progress.

Students will be exposed to a variety of artists, cultures, styles and historical periods.

Students will identify and apply the elements and principles of design in a variety of media.

Students will use the language of visual arts to communicate effectively.

Students will interpret an artwork or collection or works, supported by relevant and sufficient evidence found in the work and its various contexts.

Students will apply critical thinking and problem solving skills to the creative process.

Students will recognize the interdisciplinary connections and daily application of the visual arts to everyday life.

Students will evaluate, select, and apply methods or processes appropriate to display artwork in a specific place.