

**MacArthur High School**  
**Course Syllabus: Introduction to Art**  
**SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO ONLINE LEARNING**

**Course Title: Introduction to Art 1**

**Course Credits: 0.5**

**Department: Art**

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**Course Description:** Students will study the language of art and design; experience the skills in drawing, painting, and design, printmaking, sculpture, and ceramics. Also, students will have exposure to various art movements, significant art works and will study the relevance of these art works in history and as cultural art forms.

**Prerequisites: none**

**Required Texts: Art Talk**

**Required Materials: #2 graphite pencils (non-mechanical), iPad, 8.5in x 11in notebook.**

**Classroom Expectations:**

- Respect your teacher
  - Respect your classmates
  - Respect your tools and materials, these are a privilege and can be taken away. Destruction of tools may result in the student replacing the object.
  - Respect the work of others, tampering with the work of others may result in a failing grade for the assignment of the offender
  - Eating/drinking is not permitted for safety concerns. Offenders WILL dispose of the food and may be given a referral depending on the circumstances.
  - All work should be made by YOU
  - All work should be creative
  - All work should be new
  - Any student copying\*, stealing\*\*, or reusing work may face a failing grade or a referral
- Cell Phones are NOT permitted to be out unless being used as part of the lesson
- Students are NOT to be on social media sites on ANY device during class time.
  - Laptops are expected to be put away unless being used for instructional purposes.
  - Absolutely NO charging is to be done in the classroom. If you are caught charging a device, it is an automatic referral.

**\*Headphones:** once a student enters the room, headphones are to be put away. Headphones will only be allowed once given permission during independent work time. Failure to comply with this policy will result in a referral.

**Attendance Statement:** Students are expected to be in class. In addition to the expectations outlined in the Student Handbook, students need to be in class as this is a project-based class and many of the materials CANNOT be worked on at home.

**Homework Expectations:** Students are expected to complete work assigned outside the school day.

**Late Work Statement:** All work is expected to be made up within the same calendar month. Once the month rolls over, work cannot be made up.

**Make-up Work Statement:** Students are expected to make arrangements with the instructor, before or after an absence within the calendar month. See above for further details.

**Course Objectives, Outcomes, and Standards:**

Objective/Outcome/Standard	Means to achieve the Outcome
Student can identify, define, and discuss the Elements of Art and the Principles of Design in works of art.	Students will analyze the use of these terms in art history and reflections
Student can demonstrate moderate use of skills, techniques, and tools for creating artwork.	Students will create projects that demonstrate these skills
Student can demonstrate creativity and originality in their artwork through use of materials, the Elements of Art, and the Principles of Design.	Students will formulate creative projects
Student will create both 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional artworks.	Students will formulate a variety of projects
The student will be exposed to the language of art, and art vocabulary, and will gain an evolving understanding of art terms and their usage.	Students will analyze the use of these terms in art history and reflections

## Grading Policies:

<b>School Wide Grading Scale</b>
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<b>A</b>	<b>90-100%</b>
<b>B</b>	<b>80-89%</b>
<b>C</b>	<b>70-79%</b>
<b>D</b>	<b>60-69%</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>Below 60%</b>

Students should expect to see at least two grades in Home Access each week. For extensive projects, progress checks will be communicated weekly.

### **MacArthur High School Incompletes and Revisions Policy Statement:**

The expectation is for all assignments to be completed and turned in on the date the assignment is due. Incomplete work on assignments or revisions to assignments cannot be accepted unless arrangements are made with the teacher.

Retakes and revisions on assessments may be accepted at the sole discretion of the teacher, with the exception of instances involving academic dishonesty (see Academic Dishonesty Policy). Prior to assessment retake opportunities, all incomplete assignments, revisions, and/or additional assignments may be required.

Arrangements need to be made with the teacher for retakes or revisions immediately. Due to the extensive planning that may need to take place on the part of the teacher, re-takes and revisions, times for retakes, and any modifications required are at the discretion and convenience of the teacher.

### **Academic Dishonesty Policy:**

Should it be discovered that a student is cheating on any assignment or assessment, the student shall receive a zero with no option for a retake. Actions that constitute cheating include, but are not limited to:

- Giving or receiving assistance, by any means, real or electronic during an assessment.
- Sharing or exchanging information about the assessment by any means, real or electronic, during the assessment.
- Attempting to remove assessment materials, including assessment questions or answers, from the room by any means, real or electronic.
- Having or using any unapproved electronic device after assessments have been distributed.
- Using unapproved assessment aids (notes, books, cheat sheets, electronic applications, etc.).
- Deliberate misrepresentation of work.
- Integrating the intellectual work of another person (including another student) into one's own class work without giving proper credit.
- Copying another person's work (including another student) and claiming it as one's own.
- Restating a text or passage without citing the authorship of the original work.

### **MacArthur High School Assessment Procedures and Testing Environment:**

**ASSESSMENT PROTOCOLS & EXPECTATIONS:** At MacArthur High School, student assessments are taken very seriously, since it is the only measure of student progress and

achievement. To guard the integrity of the assessment, to ensure the results are a measure of the student's progress or achievement and no one else's, to establish an academic atmosphere for the assessment, and to aide the teacher in monitoring the assessment, the following guidelines have been established:

- All electronic or communications devices (cell phone, smart phone, I-phone, I-pod, mp3 player, or other media player, or gaming system) should be turned off and out of sight (other than permitted calculators or laptops) during the assessment. If the device is SEEN or HEARD during the assessment, the student's assessment and answer sheet may be collected and NOT scored.
- Any food or drink, including water, is not permitted in the room during the assessment (unless approved in advance with a note from the nurse for medical reasons).
- Students should already know that restroom passes are for emergencies only. Students are to use the restroom during passing period and not during class time. Should a student need to leave the room for a restroom break, extra time will not be allowed on the assessment.
- Behavioral expectations of the student: The following behaviors are prohibited during the assessment. Students may be dismissed; their answer document will be collected and may not be scored if they are found:
  - Continuing to work on an assessment after time has been called.
  - Looking at another student's assessment or answer document.
  - Giving or receiving assistance, sharing or exchanging information about the assessment by any means, real or electronic, during the assessment.
  - Attempting to remove assessment materials, including assessment questions or answers, from the room by any means, real or electronic.
  - Having or using any electronic device after tests have been distributed.
  - Using a prohibited calculator or laptop.
  - Using unapproved assessment aids (notes, books, or any cheat sheets, etc.).
  - Not following instructions or abiding by the rules.
  - Exhibiting confrontational, threatening, or unruly behavior.
  - Creating a disturbance.

### **Final Exams:**

Final exams are an important end of semester assessment and must be taken seriously. They count for 10% of the semester grade. Final exams are cumulative and reflect the learning that has occurred during the semester.

Should a parent have a need for their student to take the exam early, it is ultimately the responsibility of the student to work with their teachers. The student will need a written request signed by a parent and the community administrator before working out arrangements with the teachers. Students with IEPs will follow IEP accommodations, even if the final exam is taken early without needing parent and community administrator permission. Due to the extensive planning that may need to take place on the part of the teacher for exams to be given early, times for early exams and any modifications required are at the convenience of the teacher. Make-up times are built into the exam schedules. It is strongly encouraged that the student takes advantage of those resources, rather than early exams.

**Home Access:** Students and parents are strongly encouraged to log into Home Access Center at <https://hac.dps61.org/> to monitor academic progress. Students are expected to check their grades at least once a week and contact their teachers with any concerns. Please notify the community secretary if you need login information.

Community	Secretary	Phone	Email
Freshmen			
A - J			
K - Z			
Athletics			

**Campus Resources:** MHS has a variety of resources available to support student success.

Resource	Location	Availability	Purpose
MHS Student Google Classroom		24/7	Student announcements
Writing Center	Library E132	Zero Hour and Lunch by appointment	To assist students with any writing, academic or personal, in all stages of the writing process. The Writing Center is NOT a proofreading or editing service.
*TechSpert Center??? (not for sure, but a possibility if we have Power Hour)	Library E133	TBD	
21st Century	Library followed by classrooms	M-Th 7:30-8:30am and 3:30-5:30pm	21st Century provides tutoring services. It also provides problem based learning activities within the community.
Gale Databases	dps61.org	Always available	Link for library brochure here
Ebooks	3M app	Always available	Students in good standing should obtain their individual library ID and password from the librarian.
Counseling and Social Work Services	Community Offices	School Hours	

**Course Schedule:**

Unit 1 – Line

- Kinds of Line
- Line Drawing Project

Unit 2 – Shape & Form

- Kinds of Shapes
- Kinds of Forms

Unit 3 – Value

- Shading Techniques
- Value Scales
- Life Drawing Portfolio

Unit 4 - Color

- Color Wheel
- Color Schemes
- Color Mixing
- Color Schemes Project

Unit 5 - Texture

Unit 6 – Space

- Space Techniques
- 1 Point Perspective
- 2 Point Perspective
- Perspective Project

Art History – Students will study 1 artist per week, 12 artists total

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**[1] Assignments, tests, quizzes may be added or removed and due dates changed at the discretion of the teacher for the benefit of the class.**

### **Introduction to Art 1**

**I have read and understand this course syllabus and my responsibilities as a student.**

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**Student Name**

**Signature**

**Date**

**I have read and understand this course syllabus and my responsibilities as a parent.**

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**Parent Name**

**Signature**

**Date**

**Phone #1:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone #2:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_