

Ms. Arroyo's Art Class

Welcome to Ms. Arroyo's art class at Eastlake Middle School. Below, you will find some important information that will help you to be successful in my class.

Materials:

Every student must have a **sketchbook**, which they will bring to class every day. Please make sure that the sketchbook is 9"x12" in size, has unlined paper, and is spiral bound, not book-bound. (See diagram below.)

Sketchbooks can be easily found at Michaels arts & crafts stores.

Students will also need **non-mechanical pencils** and a **glue stick**. If you are unable to obtain any of these important tools for any reason, please inform me within one week of receiving this syllabus.

Project Grades:

Most assignments will be graded based on effort and following directions. Although there is certainly some weight placed on the quality of finished pieces, any student who puts forth sincere effort will do well. There will also be written assessments, which will be graded less subjectively.

Sketchbook Assessments:

In the sketchbook, students will have a table of contents, drawings, notes, handouts, and much more. This reflects daily activity and growth, and is also a lesson in organization. Sketchbooks will be graded regularly for completeness and organization.

Class Curriculum:

Students will learn about the 7 elements of art and how they are used. Seventh graders will discover these elements through 12 weeks of projects before moving on to their next elective class in the "wheel" cycle. Eighth graders will explore the elements in greater depth over the course of the year, in addition to learning about cultural and historical art concepts while gaining experience in a wide variety of art media.

I am looking forward to a wonderful year filled with amazing creations, and I welcome any questions or feedback you may have. Thank you!

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