

# *Studio Art with Ms. Balaj*

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## **Studio Art: Building the Foundations of Artistic Expression**

Discover the essentials of being an artist in our Studio Art course, designed to introduce you to both two-dimensional and three-dimensional art forms. Perfect for beginners, this course covers the foundational techniques that are key to creating art with confidence. By the end of the course, you'll be equipped to think, create, and express yourself like an artist. The skills you acquire here will lay a strong foundation for success in graphic design and other advanced art courses at RHS-ECS.

## **Studio Art will cover the topics & skills below:**

- ★ Elements of Art / Principals of Design
- ★ Basic Drawing Techniques
- ★ Watercolor & Acrylic Paint Techniques
- ★ Plaster Art & Collages
- ★ How to Use: Charcoal, Colored Pencil, Graphite, Pen, Marker, and more!
- ★ Artist Routines & Etiquette
- ★ Famous and Contemporary Artists & Their Styles

## **Grading:**

- 50% Projects (completed & submitted on time; **late submissions will not receive full credit & if art is not submitted 2 days after deadline, it will be a 0**)
  - Art Projects
  - Artist Statements
  - Final Project (the ONLY project for Quarter 4)
- 25% Behavior (including lateness/absence/ **PHONE USAGE**)
- 15% Sketchbooks (this is for both note taking & artwork that does not require large paper)
- 10% Exit Tickets/Quizzes/Do Nows

**Everyone has the chance to get an A in this class if....**

- All assignments are completed on time.

- All assignments comply with requirements.
- Rules of the classroom are followed.
- Respect is shown during class.

**Grades are negatively affected by...**

- Cell phone abuse. (using phone during instructional time)
- Disrespect of any kind.
- Play fighting or real fighting of any kind.
- Insubordinate behavior.
- Lateness and absence.
- Abuse of art supplies.
- SLEEPING (school is for learning, not sleeping)

**SUPPLY LIST:**

- ☐ 9in x 12in Sketchbook (no lines inside)
- ☐ A set of artist pencils (2H, H, HB, B, 2B, 4B, 6B)
- ☐ Regular and thin black sharpies
- ☐ Tissue Box

Recommended (not required):

- ☐ Colorful Sharpies
- ☐ *Prismacolor* Colored Pencils
- ☐ Personal sets of watercolor and acrylic paint
- ☐ Personal set of paintbrushes
- ☐ Pens of any color

**CELL PHONES WILL BE COLLECTED DURING EVERY INSTRUCTIONAL DAY. NO EXCEPTIONS.**  
**YOUR FULL & UNDIVIDED ATTENTION IS REQUIRED ON INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS.**