

DOBBS FERRY MIDDLE SCHOOL
Dobbs Ferry, New York 10522

COURSE OUTLINE

SUBJECT: VISUAL ART

GRADE: 7

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The goal of the middle school curriculum is to provide students with a firm understanding of the technical aspects of art while strengthening their perceptual awareness and spatial reasoning skills. The skills they learn now will provide a foundation for them to create their own artwork through high school and beyond. The areas we will study include shape, form, proportion, space, value, color and scale.

Students will focus on developing skills which include drawing, painting, sculpture, ceramics, and collage. They will have the opportunity to experiment and refine skills using a variety of art media. Elements and principles of design will be emphasized in each project.

ANTICIPATED STUDENT OUTCOMES

By the end of this course, students in this class will be able to:

- Students will study and analyze different artists and styles of art.
- Students will create and utilize a range of subject matter, symbols, and ideas in their work.
- Students will understand and apply art elements and principles of design in their artwork.
- Students will utilize skills and techniques in a variety of two dimensional and three dimensional art to communicate personal meaning.
- Students will reflect, revise and refine work in problem solving and critical thinking skills.
- Students will reflect about their experiences and processes in art.

CRITERIA for ASSESSMENT

Students will be assessed on their completed projects, which should show evidence of understanding the concepts, and media as well as effort.

Opportunities for Enrichment:

Art Club
Stage set construction and design