Grade 8

Visual Art

Strand I, Standard 1:1
Analyze the elements of visual art including color, line, shape, value, form, texture and space and principles such as repetition, pattern, emphasis, contrast and balance.

Strand I, Standard 1:2
Analyze how the principles of visual art such as repetition, pattern, emphasis, contrast and balance are used in the creation, presentation and response to visual artworks.

Students will analyze elements, including:
- **Elements**
  - Line
  - Shape/Form
  - Color/Value
  - Space
- **Principles**
  - Emphasis
  - Balance
  - Rhythm
  - Contrast
  - Movement
  - Unity/Harmony

Vocabulary
8th grade students will use the basic language of visual art, such as:
- Figure drawing terms
- Art movements related to the specific artists used
- Printmaking terms
- Painting vocabulary
- Drawing vocabulary
- Acrylic media terms
- Papier mache terms
- Color terms
- Stop Motion animation terms
- Filmmaking terms

Strand I, Standard 1:3
Describe characteristics of Western and non-Western art movements and of selected artists:
- Western art movements and selected artists
The students will analyze historical and cultural artworks such as:
- Prints from around the world
- Representation of the human form throughout society: memorials, inspirational, decorative, etc.
- Self-portraits
- Cultural masks from around the world

The students will develop personally in the following areas such as:
- Growth in understanding importance of art as a way to self-expression
- Self-exploration
- Growth in technical skills
- Growth in drawing skills
- Growth in compositional understanding

The students will begin to develop and refine their aesthetic sensibilities and begin to use their new knowledge of color theory, composition, and technical skills to create pieces with obvious aesthetic feeling.

The students will develop and refine their skills and practice what they learn in the classroom in projects such as:
- Still life
- Abstraction
- Animation
- Mask making
- Figure sculpture
- Print making
- Drawing on the right side of the brain
- Self-portrait
- Everhart painting

Strand I, Standard 2:1
Demonstrate the characteristics of the tools, materials, and techniques of various two- and three-dimensional media for intentional effects in original artworks.

Students will describe characteristics of Western and non-Western art movements and of selected artists:

Strand I, Standard 3:1
Compare and contrast the connections among visual artworks, their purposes, and the personal, social, cultural and historical contexts including the contributions of Minnesota American Indian tribes and communities.

Strand I, Standard 3:2
Analyze the meanings and functions of visual art.

Strand II, Standard 1:1
Create original two and three dimensional artworks in a variety of artistic contexts.

Students will begin to develop their artistic intent including how audience and occasion affect artistic choices and explain choices based on intent.

Strand II, Standard 1:2
Revise artworks based feedback of others, self-reflection and artistic intention.

Strand II, Standard 1:3
Describe characteristics of various two- and three-dimensional artworks in a variety of artistic contexts.

Strand III, Standard 1:1
Assemble and prepare personal artwork for exhibit.

Strand III, Standard 1:2
Revise presentation based on feedback of others, self-reflection and artistic intention.

Strand III, Standard 1:3
Explain statement of artistic intent including how audience and occasion affect artistic choices and explain choices based on intent.

Strand IV, Standard 1:1
Analyze and interpret a variety of visual artworks using established criteria

Students will analyze the characteristics of works of art through a variety of methods such as:
- Describe
- Analyze
- Interpret
- Judge

Students will learn to apply self selected criticism of art work through methods such as:
- End of assignment critiques
- One-on-one critiques with teacher
- Written critiques
- Revise artworks based on feedback of others, self-reflection and artistic intention

Students will present artwork for a variety of audiences and occasions such as:
- Rubric for each assignment
- Daily monitoring of student progress
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Target 1

Concepts

Technology Skills:
• I-Movie
• Operation of a Digital Still Camera and tripod
• Downloading and importing images into I-Movie
• Basic image editing with Photoshop Elements
• Importing and editing of sounds within I-Movie
• Image searching

Target 2

Context

• Water-based inks
• Brayer/Baren
• Varieties of paper
• Found objects
• Watercolor
• Colored pencils
• Water-based markers
• Digital camera
• Aluminum foil
• Rigid foam
• 14-gauge wire
• Sponge
• Brush
• Papier mache
• Easel brush and ink
• Ink
• Comics
• Graphite Pencil
• Picture plane
• View finder
• Computer
• Tripod
• Variety of materials to construct sets/backdrops
• Sharpies
• Tempera
• Rulers
• Templates

Audience
• Peers in class
• Students at NMS
• Teachers
• Parents
• Community members

Development of Idea:
• Conceptual
  • Brainstorm/layout
  • Discussions

Perceptual
• Contour line drawings
• Negative space drawing
• Rough layout
• Thumbnail sketches
• Name design
• Photographed image of student
• Mask drawings
• Comic
• Physical abstraction
• Photographing objects
• View samples of professional/student-created films
• Story maps
• Storyboard creation
• Comics that express emotions
• Gesture drawings
• Images of people in action

Target 3

Creation

Target 4

Critique