

Advanced Placement Art

<https://nsapart.weebly.com/>

student contract

Requirements of the course

Standards for grading

Course Objectives:

The AP Studio Art Program is intended for highly motivated students who are seriously interested in the study of art. AP work involves significantly more commitment and accomplishment than the typical high school art course and is not for the casually interested. AP Studio Art does not culminate with an 'exam.' The development of a student's portfolio over time is the measure of success. The quest for quality in both production and experience is extremely demanding. Students are required to produce a portfolio that demonstrates competence and a range of understanding in visual concerns and methods. The AP program is rigorous, intense, and challenges students to complete a body of work while constantly improving the quality of their portfolios. The class will be taught at a faster pace than the normal high school art course with higher-level skills, outside projects and readings expected. Due to the nature of the course, it is important that the teacher, student, and parents agree to commit the time and energy needed to complete it successfully. There are set criteria for this class that must be met in order to receive AP credit for the semester.

At least 15 highly accomplished pieces must be submitted to the College Board:

- 15 pieces in the *Sustained Investigation* section
- 5 actual pieces of artwork for the *Selected Works* section, which can include work from the Sustained Investigation section

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Student:

I am aware of the criteria for AP Studio Art: 2D Design and I agree to accept the responsibility for the preparation needed to complete the AP course.

This includes:

- Completion of portfolio works in a timely manner, **about one piece of artwork every 2 weeks.**
- Selection of five original works for the *Selected Works* portion of the portfolio by **April 26, 2024.**
- Completion of research and documentation that guided my investigation. I must articulate the questions that guided my investigation and explain how my *Sustained Investigation* shows evidence of practice, experimentation, and revision guided by my questions. I will also identify the material and process for each piece.
- Agreeing to mandatory **submission of a portfolio**, or loss of AP credit
- Agreeing to create **original work**

Parent: I am aware of the criteria for AP Art, and I agree to help my child work to be successful in the AP course. I will help organize study time and encourage my child when the pressures of the course begin to build. I will communicate with the teacher any concerns about the course or any learning concerns that need to be addressed. I understand that students will be reading college-level materials and dealing with issues and visual materials that may be controversial.

AP COURSE CREDIT:

Submission of an AP Studio Art Portfolio is mandatory for AP course credit.

AP art is a full year class. Students who find they can't keep up with the course pace can be given an opportunity to withdraw at semester pending approval of the instructor and counselor, and will not receive AP credit.

All work must be completed by April 26, 2024.

Grading Policy

80% ASSIGNED PROJECTS

- completion & presentation of assigned projects on time
- each project requires student to participate in class critique/presentation & assessment

20% EFFORT & PARTICIPATION

- preparedness
 - assignments must be ready for review/critique on the date of deadline
- work habits
 - promptness
 - working immediately upon arrival
 - meeting deadlines
 - cleaning up/maintaining workspace
- being on task
 - working actively and daily on assigned projects
- communication
 - accepting feedback
 - giving constructive feedback to others
 - participating in class critiques

I have read and understand the requirements above:

Student Name (please print)

Period #

Student's Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Name (please print)

Home phone #

Parent/Guardian Signature

Daytime phone #
(where you are most likely to be reached)

Parent/Guardian Email Address (please print)

Please check the one that best applies:

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I prefer to be contacted by phone.

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I prefer to be contacted by email.