**Flagstaff Arts and Leadership Academy**

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***Art Basics Syllabus***

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*“Art is not what you see, but what you make other see”*

*-Georgia O'Keefe*

**Course Description:**

This introductory art course is designed to explore the elements and principles of design in relation to art history, art movements, and specific artists. Projects will expose students to several different types of materials and processes. Students are expected and required to complete all assigned material and be prepared to lead and participate in all class discussions.

**\*\*\*\*Students are expected to take notes, quizzes and tests. Please be prepared for a portion of each class to involve, writing and/or discussion\*\*\*\***

**Course Objectives:**

Students will:

* Use critical inquiry to differentiate between types of cultures, art movements and artists from both past and present.
* Demonstrate proper use of techniques in relation to the medium being used.
* Actively participate in class discussion and written/verbal critiques.
* Demonstrate investment by showing growth and document it though photographed portfolio.
* Student is able to express, thoughts, opinions and facts through both written and verbal context
* Demonstrate both visually and verbally knowledge of the elements and principles of design.

Materials:

Materials are provided out of the classroom fees FALA collects. Donations are always encouraged and accepted!!! A personal sketchbook is not provided, but is useful.

**Assessment:**

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| Formal Assessment-60% | Informal Assessment-40% |
| Projects  Presentations  Writing Assignments  Tests and quizzes | Practice Work  Visual Journal  Daily work points  Discussion |

Refer to rubric to assess the depth and understanding and how that will transcribe to a posted grade.

Attendance:

\*\*\*See student handbook\*\*\*\*

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Tardies:

\*\*\*\*\*See student handbook\*\*\*\*\*\*

Assignment Due Dates:

Projects and assignments are due on the announced date. Any work presented after the announced due date will result in loss of points. If a student needs to make up a project or retake a quiz or test, a meeting must be made with the instructor to formulate a plan.

Plagiarism:

Plagiarism is defined as a “piece of writing that has been copied from someone else and is presented as being your own work: or: taking someone's words or ideas as if they were your own” (Dictionary.com). Plagiarism means that a source has been used without proper acknowledgment. Restating someone else's idea in your own words is considered plagiarism unless you give proper credit to the source.

A charge of plagiarism can have severe consequences, including expulsion. If you have questions, consult the APA manual or the instructor.

Classroom Rules:

\*Students will respect the instructor and other students at all times. This includes students’ artwork and workspace.

\*Students are individually responsible for classroom cleanup. Students are checked out by table and are not allowed to leave until the table is clean.

\*Please use the restroom before class, especially students arriving from lunch.

\*Cell phones must be turned off- NO TEXTING, NO Exceptions!

\*No disruptive behavior or foul language.

\*No trash talking of other students and teachers.

\*Students must be receiving an “A” in ALL classes before using study hall time to work on art.

\*Students are not allowed to work on non art-related projects unless instructor is present or has prior permission.

\*No student shall “help themselves” to any supplies without permission stay out of my cabinets, please ask.

\*Any student finished with artwork will be assigned cleaning tasks if not working on other homework assignments or quietly reading.

\*Students may sit where they choose until any disruptive behavior occurs.

\*No wasting of supplies!!!! The supplies do not replenish themselves.

\*Do not expect to use art supplies for other classes.

\* IPods will be allowed only after instruction and only if they do not cause a disruption.

\*Students must stay in rooms, preferably sitting at desks until the bell rings-NO ACCEPTIONS!