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Syllabus

Art 1 is a beginning art survey course that is designed to provide all skill levels with an opportunity to explore the elements and principles of art. This is a studio art course that will provide students an opportunity to engage in hands-on, project based, small group learning. Students enrolled in Art 1 will also learn to use a variety of artist materials, such as graphite, ink, colored pencils, watercolor, tempera paint, etc. My goal is to provide students of any skill level challenging assignments. There are no prerequisites to take this course. This course is aligned with the Common Core State Standards for the visual arts. A full year of the Art 1 course will satisfy your 10 credits toward your Visual and Performing Art (VAPA) units, or elective units. Upon successful completion of the course students will earn five credits for Fall and five credits for Spring.

Students that are enrolled in Art 1 are required to show effort to engage in applying the skills, techniques and knowledge provided in this course. Students will have many opportunities to demonstrate understanding via their art projects, learning activities, classroom critiques, writing assignments and one-on-one discussions with the teacher.

There are no fees for this course. Natomas Unified School District will supply all necessary materials for students to earn their grades. Students may bring their own materials to supplement our class supplies. Students must be respectful of our classroom supplies. If there is excessive damage to our supplies, the supplies may be taken away or a bill to replace the damaged supplies will be submitted to the person who is responsible. Grades will not be entered until the fees are paid.

Grades – Student performance is evaluated based on effort, following directions, completing projects on time, originality, creativity, craftsmanship, attendance and attitude. Final grades will reflect growth or lack of growth in these areas.