

## MIXED MEDIA :: Walter Payton College Preparatory High School :: 2011 – 2012

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After-School Hours: I, or one of the other art teachers, will be available after school  
Mon. – Wed. if you need extra time to complete a project.

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Mixed Media is a studio course which will focus on creating art with traditional and non-traditional materials through: collage, printmaking, painting, paper-making, bookbinding, video, sound, computer-aided design and/or decorating techniques. Students will be expected to research concepts, write thoughtful artist's statements, and create artwork that reflects their focused engagement with the process of making art.

### REQUIRED MATERIALS FOR EACH CLASS

- A sharp pencil + eraser

### GRADING

- All art projects and homework assignments will be worth a predetermined amount of points. (Generally projects are worth between 10 and 25 points.) There will be specific instructions for each art project. If a student meets all of the requirements, she/he will be awarded the maximum amount of points.
- You will be able to check your grades online through GradeSpeed. (A-90% B-80% C-70% D-60% F-0-59%)
- Students may redo or improve most art projects and resubmit them for a new grade. Students may only resubmit a project one time within one week of receiving a grade from the teacher. (Students may not redo or improve written homework assignments)
- Written homework assignments are assigned well ahead of time and will not be accepted late. (Homework is worth 3-5 points.)
- It is the student's responsibility to gather information missed due to absence. All work will be due upon the student's return to class. Deadlines may be extended in unusual cases with prior teacher approval. All homework will be posted on our class Web site - www.msgran.com.

### CLASSROOM POLICIES

- No eating or drinking is permitted in the art studio at any time.
- Students are expected to be on time and on task throughout the period. One point will be deducted each time a student is tardy. Five points will be deducted for each unexcused absence. (If an in-class assignment was assigned for that day - truant students will not be allowed to make it up).
- Every student is responsible for clean up at the end of class.
- Throughout the year students will be assigned specific clean up tasks benefiting the entire class. These duties are required.
- Points may be deducted when a student disrupts the class, hinders the progress of a group project, or fails to abide by classroom policies.

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I have read and understood the requirements and policies of the Mixed Media course.

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These class community norms were created by Ms. Gran's 5th and 8th period Mixed Media classes.

**STUDENT EXPECTATIONS OF OTHER STUDENTS**

- COOPERATE
- RESPECT each other's work, materials, backpacks, space, ideas
- CLEAN UP
- Give CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM
- CONTROL your VOLUME
- Be EXCITED about ART
- CONTRIBUTE to the class
- Be HELPFUL and PRODUCTIVE
- Be FRIENDLY and COURTEOUS

**STUDENT EXPECTATIONS OF THE TEACHER**

- HELP us when we have questions and give CLEAR DIRECTIONS
- EXPOSE us to NEW and INTERESTING things
- Be a GOOD ROLE MODEL
- Be OPEN to STUDENT SUGGESTIONS
- Give CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM
- MODERATE the classroom and provide a COMFORTABLE ENVIRONMENT for LEARNING
- Have an ONLINE PRESENCE
- MOTIVATE and GUIDE students
- SHARE IDEAS with students
- Be FAIR
- DISCUSS PROGRESS with students
- Be RESPECTFUL of students
- Be ENTHUSIASTIC, PATIENT, UNDERSTANDING, and PREPARED

**TEACHER EXPECTATIONS OF STUDENTS**

- FOCUS on work and don't mess around
- Give your BEST EFFORT, even if the project is tough
- CLEAN UP
- TAKE RISKS with your artwork
- LISTEN to instruction
- Use time PRODUCTIVELY
- THINK OUTSIDE the BOX
- RESPECT EACH OTHER and the MATERIALS
- Don't let your skill level hinder you from TRYING your BEST

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