

# **GMAA Jr. High/High School Art Syllabus 2017-2018**

## **Course description:**

In this course, students will explore a variety of media and techniques to enhance learning experiences. Students will create works demonstrating design and drawing techniques such as drawings, paintings, and three-dimensional works of art. Students will analyze their performance and evaluate the merits of selected historical and present art works and art styles. Students will use critical and creative thinking as they explore nature, man-made structures, three-dimensional forms, and the human body. Students will investigate the significance of art related careers.

## **Student required materials:**

- Pencils
- Erase
- Rulers/Stencil/Protractor
- Compass for circles

*These materials need to be brought to class daily. All other art supplies and materials will be provided as needed.*

## **Classroom Guidelines:**

In addition to the school-wide discipline policy, a set of classroom guidelines for success and consequences has been established and will be maintained:

- Arrive to class on time.
- Be prepared for class – bring required art materials.
- Get folders and take to desk.
- Listen to and follow directions.
- Complete daily work.
- Be responsible for work area and tools – clean up after yourself!
- Use time wisely – stay on task and work toward assignment objectives.
- Demonstrate respect for others and their work.
- Demonstrate respect for class property, materials and equipment.
- Demonstrate respect for teacher’s instructional time.
- Make up all class work missed due to absences.

## **Consequences:**

If you CHOOSE not to follow the above guidelines, the following consequences will be given:

1. Verbal warning
2. Written warning (usually in the form of sentences written by the student)
3. Call to parents
4. Referral to the office

**Assessment and Grading:**

The main purpose of assessment and grading should be to improve learning and to measure each student’s progress. Being absent will NOT excuse a student from an assignment. If a student misses a class, it is his/her responsibility to check in to see what assignment needs to be made up. Daily assignment grades can be made up with a late penalty.

Projects	40 %
Daily Assignments	25 %
Supplies	5%
Quizzes	20 %
Final Exam	10 %

Due to the nature of art class, each student is graded according to individual skill, neatness, and effort meeting class requirements. A student who is not highly skilled in an art will not be compared to a student who has more experience.

**Grading scale**

A	90-100%
B	80-89%
C	70-79%
D	60-69%
F	Below 69%

I look forward in working with each student, helping them discover their artistic side and develop their skills. Teaching art is my passion, but helping students gain a deeper appreciation of God’s creation, as we explore nature in our drawings, is my ultimate goal! If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at [david.taylor@gma.edu](mailto:david.taylor@gma.edu).

Thank You,

Mr. David Taylor

Please sign and return no later than August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017

Student Name	_____
	(Please Print)
Student Signature	_____
Parent Name	_____
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Parent Signature	_____

