

AP Studio Art Summer Work

1. Look at College Board to learn about the basics of AP Studio Art. AP Portfolio requirements- Submit 15 pieces that relate to each other. Pick 5 works to highlight.

There are 3 choices for portfolios to submit:

AP 2D Art and Design

AP 3D Art and Design

AP Drawing

<https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/courses/about-ap-art-and-design>

Which one will you submit?

2. Sustained Investigation

This section (60% of your total score) should show a body of related works that demonstrate an inquiry-based investigation of materials, processes, and ideas.

Write a list of at least five topics that you are considering for your “inquiry” and/or “sustained investigation”. Be specific and try to combine your ideas with what materials/processes you plan to use.

In the end, your portfolio should have a cohesive theme.



3. Write a one page artist statement describing what your art portfolio is going to be based on. What are your themes, concepts, and subjects? What is the central idea of your sustained investigation (concentration?)

An artist statement is essential to every artist. It shows that you are thoughtful and you are serious about your work.

1. Be honest about yourself and your art. Understand what your art expresses and what it's trying to achieve.
2. Consider your influences. Think about the things that influence your art and their **impact statement**.
3. Identify what you want people to understand about your art.
4. Briefly explain and express your connection to your art.
5. Use simple language, do not write in vague.
6. Revise if it's necessary.

Your artist statement should explain, contextualize, and justify your whole work. Just like a good book, it needs to have good content. You should include the following in your artist statement.

Your vision about your work.

Your **personal statement** about your work.

The reason why you created your work and its background.

The expectation of the audience to your work.

How your previous work relates to your current work.

Your inspiration for creating your work.

The people or other artists that influence you.

Your techniques and methods.

The significance, relevance, and the purpose of your work.

4. Please buy a sketchbook. Put your artist statement on your 1st page. 10 developed sketches for your AP concentration artwork.

After you decide what your focus is going to be and you write your artist statement, you should come up with 10 ideas for your actual artwork and sketch it out in your sketchbook. Make sure your sketches are detailed and well planned out.

5. Please, please watch the videos!!! I think they will help you a lot!!!

Student AP Portfolio video

<https://youtu.be/s8WS5dLbyPk?si=4eFjtEMmVrYB8TSL>

Student AP Portfolio Tips Video

https://youtu.be/3Qox8gT_PJI?si=g9RUyh6XP0cN1Zq9

How I got a 5 On AP Portfolio

https://youtu.be/_r_nLuUPBQk?si=XlvbbCn3KshC20FK

AP Student Portfolio video

https://youtu.be/O1maYsGzUaM?si=DUMIFbqqznp_huP5

6. **Get inspired.**

Are you traveling this summer? Be sure to take a lot of pictures of things that catch your eye or you find beautiful/ inspiring.

Go to a museum, gardens, and stores.

Find beauty/comfort in the mundane. Do you find your mom doing the dishes a lot? Take a picture of her doing them. Does your dog make a funny face? Do you spend all of your time in your room? Take pictures of yourself doing the things you do. Be sure to take pictures, jot down ideas, and sketch any ideas you have.