CFISD HS Advanced Placement Digital Art & Media Scope and Sequence (2025–2026)

Course Description

The Two-Dimensional Design Advanced Placement portfolio is intended to address a very broad interpretation of two-dimensional design issues. This type of design involves purposeful decision-making about how to use the elements and principles of art in an integrative way. For this portfolio, students are asked to demonstrate proficiency in two-dimensional design using a variety of art forms. These could include, but are not limited to, photography, mixed media, digital art and media, painting, and printmaking. The portfolio is submitted as both original pieces and as digital images of selected pieces that represent the student's best works and includes a written statement defining the student's focus of concentration.

- Prerequisite: Students must have completed a Level II course.
- Having a Digital SLR camera of their own is beneficial to students taking this class.
- Additional supplies and/or supply fees may be required.
- Course requires the use of technology.

Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills: Art TEKS

First Semester (81 Days**)

1st Grading Period

Unit	Start Date	End Date
Artistic Integrity, ethics, plagiarism	08/13/2025	10/9/2025
Investigate 2 components of portfolio development-		
Sustained Investigation, Selected Works		

*2nd Grading Period

Unit	Start Date	End Date
Digital Media: Concept, composition, execution	10/15/2025	12/18/2025
Portfolio planning, development		

Second Semester (92 Days**)

3rd Grading Period

Unit Start Date End Date

Research, technique, problem solving, and ideation Employ critical decision-making, ongoing process (Sustained Investigation, Selected Works, Critique) 01/06/2026 03/6/2026

*4th Grading Period

Unit Start Date End Date

Individual & Group Critique (Sustained Investigation, Selected Works)

Exhibit, Portfolio, exam preparation

03/16/2026 05/28/2026

Notes

* Includes time for Final Exams.

**The length of each unit is a specific number of days, but it is understood that there is a range of +/- a day. The purpose of the flexibility is to allow teachers the opportunity to plan for the needs of their students and to accommodate re-teaching or review when necessary. If pre-assessment indicates student mastery could be obtained in a shorter number of days, the additional time could be used for extension or carried into the next unit.

Instructional Materials

District developed resources

Hobbs, J. A., Salome, R., & Vieth, K. (2005). *The visual experience* (3rd ed.). Davis Publications.

Gatta, K., & Golding, C. M. (2010). *Communicating through graphic design* (2nd ed., Teacher's ed.). Davis Publications.