

Kindergarten Art - Elementary School

Course Description/Goals:

The fine arts incorporate the study of dance, music, theatre, and the visual arts to offer unique experiences and empower students to explore realities, relationships, and ideas. These disciplines engage and motivate all students through active learning, critical thinking, and innovative problem solving. The fine arts develop cognitive functioning and increase student academic achievement, higher-order thinking, communication, and collaboration skills, making the fine arts applicable to college readiness, career opportunities, workplace environments, social skills, and everyday life. Students develop aesthetic and cultural awareness through exploration, leading to creative expression. Creativity, encouraged through the study of the fine arts, is essential to nurture and develop the whole child.

Course TEKS/Objectives:

The Texas TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills) for Art (grade k-5) is organized into four basic strands--foundations: observation and perception; creative expression; historical and cultural relevance; and critical evaluation and response--provide broad, unifying structures for organizing the knowledge and skills students are expected to acquire.

<https://tea.texas.gov/about-tea/laws-and-rules/sboe-rules-tac/sboe-tac-currently-in-effect/ch117a.pdf>

Course Outline:

Semester 1	Semester 2
-Introduce 12 types of lines -Identify circles, ovals, triangles, squares, and rectangles -Introduce color wheel -Light and dark -Near and Far -Draw using crayon, pencil, chalk, and marker -Hold and use a paintbrush -Proper use of scissors and glue	-Geometric vs. organic shapes -Cube, sphere, and cone -Primary and secondary colors -Texture rubbings -Horizon line -Basic printmaking with stamps -Torn and cut paper collage -Pull, pinch, and roll clay -Manipulate natural and synthetic fibers in collages

