

Art 1 – Foundations (Level I) | Semester Overview

Week(s)	Unit / Focus	Priority Standards	Key Activities / Projects	Notes / Alignment
1	Introduction & Classroom Culture	Creating 1–2; Connecting 1	Syllabus, safety, sketchbook setup, growth mindset activities, pre-assessment drawing	Baseline data and routines
2–3	Elements of Art	Creating 1–3	Observational drawing, value scales, still life studies	Formative checks
4–5	Principles of Design	Creating 1–3; Responding 1–2	Composition projects, critiques	Critique structures
6–8	Drawing Skills	Creating 2–3	Perspective, proportion, portrait or figure drawing	Scaffolded project
9–11	Color Theory & Painting	Creating 1–3	Color mixing, expressive still life or landscape	Media exploration
12–14	3D / Sculpture	Creating 2–3; Presenting 1	Clay or paper sculpture	Safety emphasis
15–16	Mixed Media / Choice	All processes	Student choice projects combining media	Differentiation
17	Reflection & Critique	Responding 1–3; Connecting 1–2	Artist statements, peer/self critique	Data collection
18	Flex / Finals / Exhibition	Cumulative	Portfolio review and showcase	Adjust as needed