

IAA Curriculum

Content Area	Visual Arts	Grade	9-12
Course Name	Visual Arts Major Level I		

Unit	Unit 1 - Elements and Principles of Art					
Concepts	Using the design elements and principles of art, as well as color theory, students will begin to express themselves on a variety of mediums through the lens of visual arts.					
Big Ideas & Competencies	Review and introduction of new elements and principles of art. Design an original piece to describe all elements and principles of art.					
Essential Understandings	How are the elements and principles of art used to convey objects through art? What elements and principles are used to create works of art? How is each element depicted in art?					
Dates (estimates only)	Smart Objectives	Instructional Strategies and Activities	PA CC Standards	Keystone or PSSA Anchors	Keystone / PSSA Eligible Content	Vocabulary
10-15 Days	Students will be able to... Design examples of each element and principle to use for their reference. Identify and describe the elements and principles of art.	Watch video on Fashion careers Guided note Activity- Group and individual Critical vocabulary Guided group discussions & presentations Sketchbook Element design project	9.1.8.A 9.1.8.B 9.1.8.C			Line Shape Contrast Balance Perspective Balance Aesthetic
Resources	Materials, texts, videos, internet sites, software, human to support instruction					
Formative Assessments	Class participation, observation checklist, teacher observation, quizzes, exit tickets					
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Strategies for ELL and IEP Support	Small groups, peer assistance, additional individualized assistance, variation of activities/assignments, modifications and accommodations.					
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Unit	Unit 2 - Collage					
Concepts	<p>The elements and principles of design. The tools of drawing and painting. The basic geometric forms. Basic concepts of perspective and space through overlapping and size change Shading techniques Hatching and cross hatching Contour and gestural drawing Blind contour line drawing Painting techniques Color terminology The color wheel Composition</p>					
Big Ideas & Competencies	<p>Drawing and painting are forms of visual communication. Throughout recorded history, man has always communicated ideas through drawing and painting. Artists create visual unity, and strong composition, by applying their knowledge of the elements and principles of design in the art studio. Artists experiment and problem solve in order to decide which dry or wet medium and techniques best communicate their message. The creative process is often as important as the finished work of art. Most artists are influenced by the creative work of their predecessors. Nature, religion, culture, history, etc. also influence the artist. Drawing and painting are about learning how to see, and about observing our surroundings. Access to art and to the aesthetic experience, has a positive influence on the quality of a person's lifelong learning, personal expression, and contributions to our community and to society. In order to create a realistic drawing or painting, an artist needs to understand the principles of 1 and 2 point perspective, and that every object we see has a form based on the cube, the cylinder, the cone or the sphere. Organic objects are modified geometric forms.</p>					
Essential Understandings	<p>What is drawing and how does it relate to our culture? How does it relate to painting? How are art elements and design principles used to create a drawing and a painting? How do artists select media, tools and techniques to best express the ideas they wish to communicate? How does problem solving relate to drawing/painting? How does the creative process relate to a finished work of art? How do artists decide what to draw/paint? What inspires an artist? How can drawing/painting improve the quality of your life? How does drawing relate to painting and why do artists place such a high value on their sketchbooks?. What does an artist need to understand in order to create a realistic drawing/painting?</p>					
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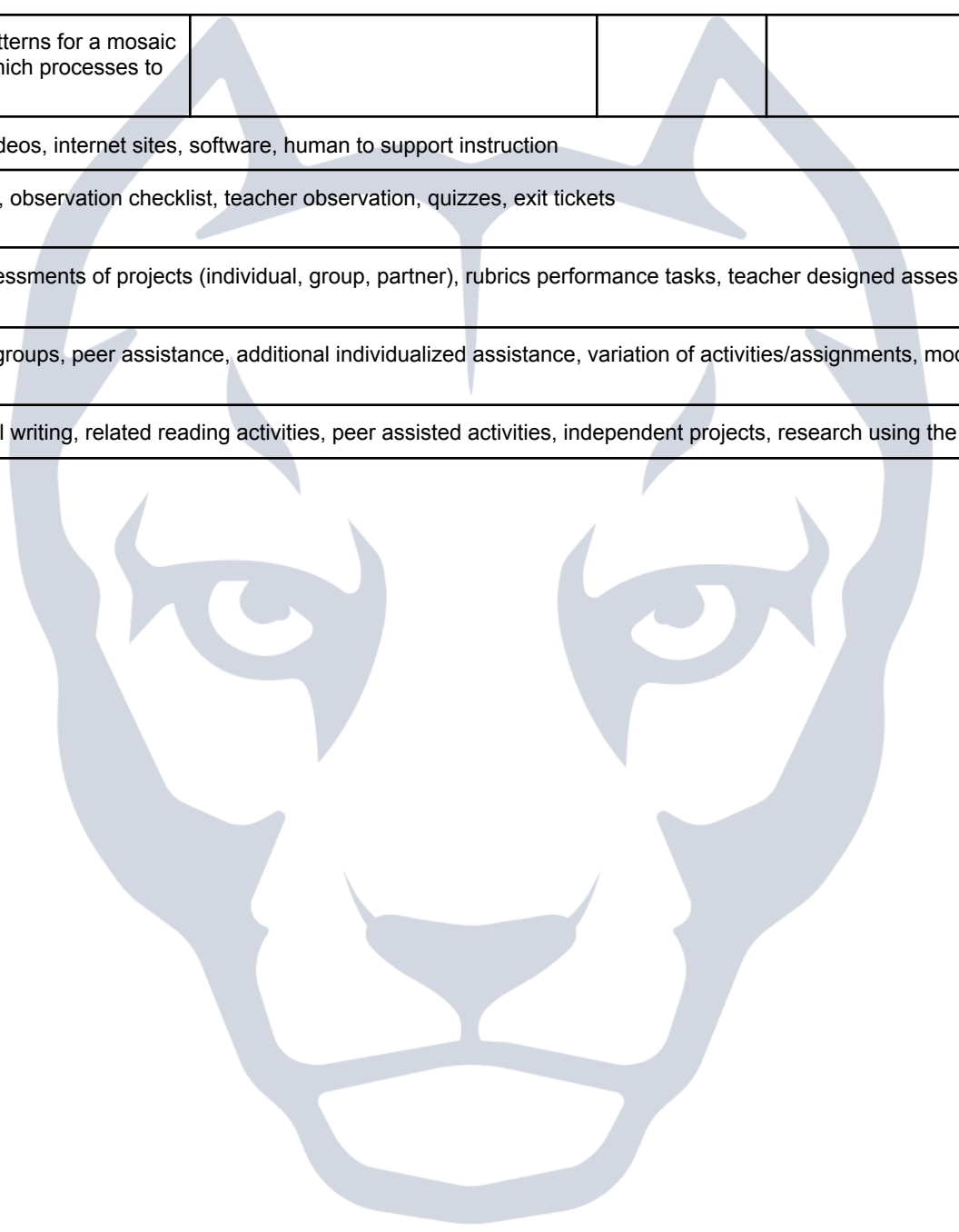
(estimates only)	Objectives	and Activities	Standards	PSSA Anchors	PSSA Eligible Content	
20-30 Days	<p>Students will be able to...</p> <p>Draw real objects that are based on the cube, the cylinder, the cone and the sphere.</p> <p>Complete the sketchbook assignments in the drawing packet.</p> <p>Add form to their drawings through the use of shading, hatching and crosshatching.</p> <p>Use an ink, watercolor, or oil wash to add shadow to an object.</p> <p>Draw the basic forms in one and two point perspective.</p> <p>Experiment with colored pencil, charcoal pencil, pen and ink, pen and brush etc. on different types of paper.</p> <p>Experiment with watercolor, tempera paint and acrylic paint.</p> <p>Use their drawings to create strong portfolio pieces.</p>	<p>Watch video on Fashion careers</p> <p>Guided note Activity- Group and individual</p> <p>Critical vocabulary</p> <p>Guided group discussions & presentations</p> <p>Sketchbook</p> <p>Portfolio</p>	<p>9.1.12.A</p> <p>9.1.12.B</p> <p>9.1.12.D</p> <p>9.2.12.D</p> <p>9.3.12.A</p>			<p>Line</p> <p>Shape</p> <p>Color</p> <p>Value</p> <p>Texture</p> <p>Space</p> <p>Form</p> <p>Contour</p> <p>Gesture</p> <p>Shading</p> <p>Structure</p> <p>Proportion</p> <p>Hatching</p> <p>Cross-hatching</p> <p>Symmetry</p> <p>Perspective</p> <p>Cylinder</p> <p>Cube</p> <p>Sphere</p> <p>Cone</p> <p>Contrast</p> <p>Wash</p> <p>Drybrush</p>
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Unit	Unit 3 - Introduction to Ceramics and Mosaics					
Concepts	The elements and principles of design. The process of executing a mosaic or ceramic design. Safety issues when working with glass and cleaning surfaces after cutting glass. Safety issues when working with dry clay and glazes.					
Big Ideas & Competencies	Mosaics have been created throughout recorded history. The earliest mosaics were made in about 3000 BC by the Sumerians. Romans created mosaics from local stones, and utilized mosaics for flooring and to decorate walls. Early Christian art was often executed in mosaics. Mosaic art was highly valued in the 19th century in Italy and Spain. Mosaics are an ancient craft. Contemporary mosaic-makers have a tremendous range of art historical sources to draw from. Craft usually refers to decorative forms, whereas art often conveys a deeper meaning. In working with mosaics, artists create visual unity and strong composition by applying their knowledge of the elements and principles of design. Relief, texture and three dimensional form are basic qualities that distinguish mosaics from other art forms. Mosaic artists need to understand the nature of the material they are working with. Mosaics are created from repetitive units that when organized together create a unified whole. Methods, skills and techniques are very important in making a mosaic.					
Essential Understandings	What are mosaics and how do they relate to culture? What significance do mosaics hold for world civilizations? How have mosaics evolved over time? What is the difference between an art form and a craft? Is there a hierarchy? How do mosaic artists use the elements and principles of design to create unity in a mosaic? Why are elements of art emphasized in mosaics? How do mosaic artists decide which techniques and processes they need to use?					
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20-30 Days	Students will be able to... Create a drawing in their sketchbook of the mosaic or ceramic work they would like to make. Plan a color scheme. Understand how to translate a design into a mosaic or a ceramic form. Prepare a wood support for a	Watch video on Fashion careers Guided note Activity- Group and individual Critical vocabulary Guided group discussions & presentations Sketchbook Portfolio	9.1.12.A 9.1.12.B 9.1.12.D 9.2.12.D 9.3.12.A			Relief Transparent Opaque Collage Scoring Grouting stained glass Template Base Smalti tiles

	mosaic. Create patterns for a mosaic and understand which processes to use.					
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Unit	Unit 4 - Ceramics and Mosaics					
Concepts	<p>A variety of skills and techniques including cutting glass, attaching glass to wood, layering images under glass, grouting, and cleaning a mosaic.</p> <p>A variety of techniques for shaping and molding clay include pinching, coiling and slabbing.</p> <p>Ceramic tile techniques if creating a mosaic with ceramic tiles. Ceramic tile techniques.</p> <p>Safety issues when working with glass and cleaning surfaces after cutting glass. Safety issues when working with dry clay and glazes.</p>					
Big Ideas & Competencies	<p>Most artists are influenced by the creative work of their predecessors. Nature, religion, culture, history, etc. also influence the artist. Necessity has also played a part in mosaic creations. Mosaics give a person a hands-on experience which is very different from the educational experiences we have in life. In mosaics, students gain sensitivity to working with glass, a material that has unique qualities. A utilitarian object that is beautifully designed gives us pleasure as we use it every day. It has form and function. Ceramics is a process in which clay, a product of the earth, is formed by hand or on a wheel, and fired in a kiln to make it permanent. Throughout recorded history, man has always created works of art from clay. Ceramic artists need to understand the nature of the material they are working with, and which approach will work best with what they are designing. Moisture content in clay and its plasticity determine what it can do at different stages of the process.</p>					
Essential Understandings	<p>What distinguishes mosaics from other art forms?</p> <p>What inspires a mosaic artist?</p> <p>How can mosaics improve the quality of a person's life?</p> <p>What does it mean to design an object that is both beautiful and utilitarian?</p> <p>What is ceramics and how does it relate to culture?</p> <p>What significance does clay hold for world cultures?</p> <p>How do ceramic artists use the elements and principles of design to create unity in a ceramic piece?</p> <p>How do artists decide what to create from clay? What inspires a ceramic artist?</p> <p>How can ceramics improve the quality of a person's life?</p> <p>What does it mean to design an object that is both beautiful and utilitarian?</p>					
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20-30 Days	<p>Students will be able to...</p> <p>Use a layering process to add words and images under transparent glass.</p> <p>Use tools to impress designs on damp clay or to carve leather hard clay.</p>	<p>Watch video on Fashion careers</p> <p>Guided note Activity- Group and individual</p> <p>Critical vocabulary</p> <p>Guided group discussions & presentations</p> <p>Sketchbook</p> <p>Portfolio</p>	<p>9.1.12.A</p> <p>9.1.12.B</p> <p>9.1.12.D</p> <p>9.2.12.D</p> <p>9.3.12.A</p>			<p>Ceramics</p> <p>earthenware</p> <p>Greenware</p> <p>Needle tool,</p> <p>leather hard</p> <p>Coils</p> <p>Slabs</p> <p>pinch pots,</p> <p>glazes</p>

	<p>Safely use tools to score, cut and break glass. Use metal tools to cut clay.</p> <p>Attach glass pieces to their wood support.</p> <p>Attach clay pieces together.</p> <p>Select a grout color to complement the design.</p> <p>Select glazes and underglazes to color bisque ware.</p> <p>Grout, clean, and attach a backing to their piece so that it can be displayed on a wall. Decide how to display or use a ceramic work of art.</p>					<p>Under-glazes Kiln moisture content Shrinkage Grog slip</p>
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