

# FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS

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## ART

### AP PORTFOLIO ART

**1.5 credit, grades 11-12**

**Prerequisite:** The students are encouraged to complete all of the courses in one of the three paths. The three paths are Drawing, 2D design, or 3D design. For a drawing portfolio, the students are encouraged to complete Drawing 1-4. For a 2D design portfolio, the students are encouraged to complete Drawing 1-3, Design, and Computer Art. For a 3D design, the students are encouraged to complete Ceramics 1-4, Sculpture and Jewelry/Metal Arts. All art classes are strongly recommended for students completing any of the portfolios. (If a student completes one of the portfolios their junior year, they may do a different one their senior year.) The AP Studio Art class is designed for students who are seriously interested in the practical experience of art. AP Studio Art is not based on a written examination; instead, students submit portfolios for evaluation at the end of the school year. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools). **Advance Placement Credit is available through Baker College with successful completion (B or better) of AP Portfolio Art.**

### CERAMICS 1

**0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

This course covers the basic methods of ceramics including pinch, scoop, slab and coil. It will also review the history of ceramics and glazing. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

### CERAMICS 2

**0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

**Prerequisite: Ceramics 1.** This course includes the basic techniques using the potters' wheel. Advanced hand built methods will also be emphasized. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

### CERAMICS 3

**0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

**Prerequisite: Ceramics 2.** Ceramics 3 will involve a high concentration of potter's wheel work for the student. Ceramics 3 will also give the student the opportunity to create art forms with clay. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

### CERAMICS 4

**0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

**Prerequisite: Ceramics 3.** Ceramics 4 will provide the serious minded ceramic student with the opportunity to expand clay building techniques. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

### CERAMICS 5

**0.5 credit, grades 10-12**

**Prerequisites: Ceramics 4.** Ceramics 5 will provide the serious ceramic student with the opportunity of expanding their knowledge and skill of the potter's wheel. This course is for potter's wheel work only. Maximum of 20 students per class. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

### COMPUTER ART 1

**0.5 credit, grades 9-12 (Satisfies elective computer requirement)**

**Recommended Prerequisite: Drawing 1 or Design Concepts.** This course will focus on developing skills in computer art and its software with an element photography in order to expand the students two dimensional repertoire. In-depth research and identifying current computer art will also be expected. The student will create graphics, digital photographs, and morphed images. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

## **COMPUTER ART 2**

**0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

**Prerequisites: Computer Art 1.** This course will focus on advancing the skills learned in Computer Art. In depth research and identifying current graphic and photography trends will also be expected. The student will create graphics, illustrations, animation, traditional and digital images on a more independent and creative level. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools). **Articulation Credit is available through Baker College with successful completion (B or better) of Computer Art 2.**

## **COMPUTER ART 3**

**0.5 credit, grades 10-12**

**Prerequisites: Computer Art 2.** This course will focus on advancing the skills learned in Computer Arts 1 & 2. In depth research and identifying current graphic and photography trends will also be expected and applied to student work. There will be a heavy emphasis on community involvement, local display and art competitions. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

## **DESIGN CONCEPTS**

**0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

Students taking this course will focus on the design elements and principles using a variety of media. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

## **DRAWING 1**

**0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

This course will introduce medias such as charcoal, pastel, pencil, and colored pencil. Students will learn how to draw from life, perspective, and create compositions that incorporate design elements and principles. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

## **DRAWING 2**

**0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

**Prerequisite: Drawing 1.** This course will focus on drawing from life, illustration work, and portrait work. Student voice and style will begin to emerge. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

## **DRAWING 3**

**0.5 credit, grades 10-12**

**Prerequisite: Drawing 2.** This course will focus on drawing from life, figure work, and further explore student voice and style. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

## **DRAWING 4**

**0.5 credit, grades 10-12**

**Prerequisite: Drawing 3.** This is a figure drawing course. The students will focus on proportion of the figure. Students will explore student voice and style as it relates to the figure. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools). **Articulation is available through Baker College with successful completion (B or better) of Drawing 4.**

## **INDEPENDENT STUDIES - FINE ARTS - ART**

**0.5 credit, grade 11-12**

**Prerequisite: Student must have completed all courses offered in the area of study before selecting this class.**

This course is designed for the student in grades 11-12 who desire a more intensive study in a particular discipline than the general curriculum provides. Before registration, each student must submit in triplicate, a work-study plan signed by his/her parent/guardian. Upon approval, copies will be held by the student, the teacher and their counselor. Weekly student-teacher conferences will be arranged to monitor the student's progress. The final project may be evaluated by the entire department before a grade is granted. Student's selecting this course must be able to work independently and responsibly. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

## **JEWELRY AND METAL ART**

### **0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

The study of various techniques, skills, and materials involved in creating handcrafted jewelry or metal forms are studied. Skills are built upon arranging assignments according to degree of difficulty and skills learned. Emphasis is placed on originality and craftsmanship. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

## **JEWELRY AND METAL ART 2**

### **0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

**Prerequisites: Jewelry and Metal Art 1.** Jewelry & Metal Art 2 will give the student an opportunity to expand upon the concepts learned in the foundation metals class. New techniques will be introduced such as riveting, advanced casting, enamel and patina techniques. Individual creativity and uniqueness will be encouraged. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

## **JEWELRY AND METAL ART 3**

### **0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

**Prerequisites: Jewelry and Metal Art 2.** Jewelry & Metal Art 3 will allow the student an opportunity to expand upon the concepts learned in Jewelry & Metal Art 1 and 2. It will also focus heavily on uniqueness, creativity, and finding an individual voice in the student's artwork. Skill mastery will be expected as well as learning new advanced techniques and concepts. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

## **PAINTING - OILS**

### **0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

**Prerequisite: Drawing 1.** This course teaches students how to paint with oil paint. Students will paint from life, explore portrait work, and develop student voice working with oil paint. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

## **PAINTING - PORTRAITS**

### **0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

**Prerequisite: Drawing 1.** Students taking this course should have a strong interest in figure work. Students will be taught figure proportion and gesture drawing. The students will work in watercolor and oil paint. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

## **PAINTING - WATERCOLORS**

### **0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

**Prerequisite: Drawing 1.** This course will teach students the watercolor techniques of wet on wet, wet on dry, and dry on dry. The students will learn how to blend and show value with watercolor. Students will paint from life and be taught how to reference. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

## **PHOTOGRAPHY 1**

### **0.5 credit, grades 10-12**

**Prerequisite: Design Concepts or Drawing 1.** Students will create and present images using the camera and the darkroom. Students learn the concepts of proper exposure, composition, printing and presentation. Students develop skills in various photographic techniques to create expressive artwork. Students research and explore the history of photography to better understand the nature of photography, its impact on society and its aesthetic value. Students critique their own and others' photography. Students will also work with digital cameras and manipulation of images using programs such as Adobe Photoshop. Students demonstrate an understanding of how to work with photographic chemicals in the darkroom. Students may want to have a Digital Single Lens Reflex camera of at least 10.0mp to use during the class, it is recommended but not required. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

## **PHOTOGRAPHY 2**

### **0.5 credit, grades 10-12**

**Prerequisite: Photography 1.** In this course, students create and present images using the camera and the darkroom. Students will enhance their knowledge of the concepts of proper exposure, composition, printing and presentation that were taught in Photography 1. Students will continue to develop skills in various photographic techniques to create expressive artwork. Students will continue to research and explore the history of photography to better understand the nature of

photography, its impact on society and its aesthetic value. Students critique their own and others' photography. Students demonstrate an understanding of how to work with photographic chemicals and how to work in the darkroom. Students will also work with digital cameras and manipulation of images on the computer using programs such as Adobe Photoshop. Students may want to have a SLR (single lens reflex) digital camera of at least 10.mp to use during the class (it is recommended but not required). Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Students who choose to use school issued camers must sign a release waiver prior to using the school issued camera. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools)

## **RAKU POTTERY**

### **0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

**Prerequisite: Ceramics 2.** Raku Pottery is a form of ceramics which allows the student to be incorporated into the total process. Students will create pottery which they will glaze outdoors. This course will only be offered fall and spring terms (1st & 4th) so students may be outdoors. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

## **RAKU POTTERY 2**

### **0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

**Prerequisite: Raku 1.** Raku Pottery 2 will enable the serious art student to explore advanced methods in the Raku pottery process. Students will incorporate advanced glaze and firing techniques in this course. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

## **SCULPTURE**

### **0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

This course will include a study in clay and/or plaster sculpting methods and techniques in paper mache' and paper structure. Here the major emphasis will be placed upon tool usage, building and carving methods. Students are responsible for purchasing materials for this course. Materials provided to students remain the property of LOCS (Lake Orion Community Schools).

## **DRAMA**

### **DRAMA WORKSHOP**

#### **0.5 credit, grades 9-12**

The purpose of this course is to gain an understanding and appreciation of some of the basic elements of theatre. By learning to utilize both verbal and nonverbal communication, the student will create believable characters, both in scripted and improvisational settings. In addition, the student will be familiar with various physical and technical aspects of the theatre. Students will apply this knowledge in analyzing a limited number of plays outside of the classroom. The student will gain an effective stage presence and an appreciation for the various aspects of drama.

### **DRAMA THEATRE ARTS**

#### **1.0 credit, grades 9-12**

**Prerequisite: Drama Workshop or department approval.** Theatre Arts is a more advanced course for those who are interested in a more intense study of drama. Concepts of Drama Workshop are discussed in more detail and are applied to larger, more elaborate activities. Students will learn about the history of theatre as well as analyzing scripts from more contemporary playwrights. Students will also create scripts and apply directorial instruction to create their own one-act plays. The student will understand and appreciate the importance of the theatre in our lives.

### **FINE ARTS BLOCK**

#### **1.0 credit, grades 10-12**

The fine arts block offers a unique approach to the study, and most importantly, the enjoyment of the disciplinary approach to the appreciation of the artistic output of man. Realizing that great works of art were not conceived or, created in a vacuum, but in a community of humanity, the inter-relatedness of creativity is accented. From the Cave Drawings of Lascaux and Pre-Historic Man, to the works of Art, Music, Literature, all expressions of thought. This course is for the adventurous student who appreciates an unconventional approach to study. Projects field trips, (in and out of school) student generated assignments, are a few ingredients to this highly individualized, hands-on style of learning. Independence of thought and output is greatly encouraged, as students work at their personal rate of excellence, in cooperation with others.

## **INDEPENDENT STUDY - FINE ARTS**

**0.5 credit, grades 11-12**

**Prerequisite: Student must have completed all courses offered in the area of study before selecting this class. A written plan of work must be submitted and approved by mutual student and teacher agreement.** This course is designed for the student in grades 11-12 who desire a more intensive study in a particular discipline than the general curriculum provides. Before registration, each student must submit a work-study plan for the quarters signed by his/her parent/guardian. Upon approval, copies will be held by the student, the teacher and their counselor. Weekly student-teacher conferences will be arranged to monitor the student's progress. The final project may be evaluated by the entire department before a grade is granted. Students selecting this course must be able to work independently and responsibly.

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