

		Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
Plan The student generates and conceptualizes artistic ideas and work.	Observe and imagine Use what they see, know, experience, and imagine as sources for creating works of art.	Identify and communicate concepts drawn through direct observation, original source exploration, personal experiences, and imagination as sources for original works of art.	Identify and communicate concepts drawn through direct observation, original source exploration, personal experiences, and imagination as sources for original works of art.	Identify and communicate concepts drawn through direct observation, original source exploration, personal experiences, and imagination as sources for original works of art.
	Examine works of art Demonstrate an understanding of art history and culture by analyzing artistic styles, historical periods, and a variety of cultures.	Identify examples of art that convey universal themes such as beliefs, cultural narrative, life cycles, the passage of time, identity, conflict, and cooperation.	Identify the influence of historical and political events in works of art.	Analyze ways in which global, contemporary, historical, and political issues have influenced art.
		Explain the relationships that exist between societies and their art and architecture.		
		Compare the purpose and effectiveness of works of art from various times and places, evaluating the artist's use of media and techniques, expression of emotions, or use of symbols.	Compare the purpose and effectiveness of works of art from various times and places, evaluating the artist's use of media and techniques, expression of emotions, or use of symbols.	Compare the purpose and effectiveness of works of art from various times and places, evaluating the artist's use of media and techniques, expression of emotions, or use of symbols.
	Develop an approach Use decision-making processes to gather information, list and consider options, and choose and implement an approach to creating works of art.	Apply the artmaking process to generate ideas and engage in thoughtful planning when solving artistic problems.	Apply the artmaking process to manipulate materials and generate ideas when solving artistic problems.	Apply the artmaking process to manipulate materials and generate ideas when solving artistic problems.
		Combine concepts collaboratively to generate innovative ideas for creating works of art.	Combine concepts collaboratively to generate innovative ideas for creating art.	Collaboratively shape an artistic investigation of an aspect of present-day life using a contemporary practice of art and design.
		Plan and develop original works of art based on direct observation, original sources, exploration, personal experiences, and the community.	Plan and develop a collection of works of art in a variety of mediums based on individual and collective experiences that explore perception and the community.	Plan and develop a collection of works of art and a variety of sources for developing and conveying ideas, images, themes, and the community.

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Create The student uses a variety of media with appropriate skill to communicate ideas through original works of art.	Use elements/ principles Vary elements and principles of art in a composition to communicate the purpose.	Compare and contrast the elements of art (line, shape, color, texture, form, space, and value) in order to produce works of art and communicate art vocabulary appropriately.	Compare and contrast the elements of art (line, shape, color, texture, form, space, and value) in order to produce works of art and communicate art vocabulary appropriately.	Compare and contrast the elements of art (line, shape, color, texture, form, space, and value) in order to produce works of art and communicate art vocabulary appropriately.
		Compare and contrast the principles of design (emphasis, repetition/pattern, rhythm/movement, contrast/variety, balance, proportion, and unity) in order to produce works of art and communicate art vocabulary accurately.	Compare and contrast the principles of design (emphasis, repetition/pattern, rhythm/movement, contrast/variety, balance, proportion, and unity) in order to produce works of art and communicate art vocabulary accurately.	Compare and contrast the principles of design (emphasis, repetition/pattern, rhythm/movement, contrast/variety, balance, proportion, and unity) in order to produce artwork and communicate art vocabulary accurately.
	Select media Create compositions using varied media.	Experiment and produce two- and three-dimensional works of art in a variety of mediums, including drawing, painting, sculpture, ceramics, printmaking, photography, and digital art.	Demonstrate technical skills and craftsmanship in the use of materials, tools, and technology to solve artistic problems.	Demonstrate increased technical skills and craftsmanship by using more complex processes and materials to design and create two- and three-dimensional works of art.
				Create experimental works of art using installation, performance, or collaboration.
			Demonstrate an understanding of copyright and public domain to appropriate imagery when working from sources rather than direct observation or imagination.	Demonstrate an understanding of copyright and public domain to appropriate imagery when working from sources rather than direct observation or imagination.

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Present The student selects, analyzes, and interprets works of art for presentation.	Select Compile collections of works of art for the purposes of selfevaluation or exhibitions.	Develop a portfolio.	Develop a portfolio that demonstrates progress.	Develop a portfolio that demonstrates progress.
	Refine Refine and complete works of art based on purpose or feedback.	Reflect on whether personal works of art convey the intended meaning and revise accordingly.	Reflect on and explain important information about personal works of art in an artist statement or another format.	Apply relevant criteria to examine, reflect on, and plan revisions for a work of art or design in progress.
	Communicate Communicates ideas through original works of art using a variety of media with appropriate skills.	Explain purpose, elements, and principles.	Explain purpose, elements, and principles.	Explain purpose, elements, and principles.
		Create artist statements using art vocabulary to describe personal choices in artmaking.	Create artist statements using art vocabulary to describe personal choices in artmaking.	Create artist statements using art vocabulary to describe personal choices in artmaking.

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Respond The student responds to and analyzes works of art of self and others.	React Perceive and analyze works of art.	Create written or oral responses to works of art using appropriate vocabulary.	Create written or oral responses about personal or collaborative works of art addressing purpose, technique, organization, judgment, and personal expression.	Create written or oral responses about personal or collaborative works of art addressing purpose, technique, organization, judgment, and personal expression.
	Describe technique Apply criteria to evaluate works of art.	Analyze original works of art using a method of critique such as describing the work of art, analyzing the way it is organized, interpreting the artist's intention, and evaluating its success.	Analyze original works of art using a method of critique such as describing the work of art, analyzing the way it is organized, interpreting the artist's intention, and evaluating its success.	Analyze original works of art and portfolios using a method of critique such as describing the work of art, analyzing the way it is organized, interpreting the artist's intention, and evaluating its success.
		Analyze ways that visual components and cultural associations suggested by images influence ideas, emotions, and actions.	Analyze multiple ways that images influence specific audiences.	Compare and contrast contexts and media in which viewers encounter images that influence ideas, emotions, and actions.
	Connect Describe how response to works of art requires connecting techniques to expression and how art is used in a variety of careers.			Evaluate the relationships that exist among a society's art, music, theater, and dance.
			Investigate and explore original works of art in a variety of venues outside of the classroom such as museums, galleries, or community art.	Investigate and explore original works of art in a variety of venues outside of the classroom such as museums, galleries, or community art.
		Understand and demonstrate proper exhibition etiquette.	Understand and demonstrate proper exhibition etiquette.	Understand and demonstrate proper exhibition etiquette.
		Explore career and avocational opportunities in art such as various design, museum, and fine arts fields.	Explore career and avocational opportunities in art such as various design, museum, and fine arts fields.	Compare and contrast career and avocational opportunities in art such as various design, museum, and fine arts fields.