

Welcome to Media Arts!

Teacher: **Christine Oswald**
Room: **AR-8**
Periods: **4, 6, 9**
Grades: **9-12**

Objective:

This course will address the cutting-edge fields of filmmaking, photography, and computer graphic arts. Students, through studio projects, investigate the intersection of visual arts, graphics, symbols, and the moving image. An exploration of new techniques and processes will be discussed. Students will receive an introduction to Adobe Photoshop, I-Movie, and Final Cut Express. This course also includes an introduction to Digital Photography.

Grading:

50% Quality of portfolio
30% Homework Assignments
20% Class Participation



Supply List:

A flash (thumb) drive for transporting, storing, and backing up work.

2G is acceptable (but you will have to empty work often), 4G is better, and 8G will probably be best when we get to video editing (video files can be huge). **PLEASE MARK THIS WITH YOUR NAME!**

Access to a Digital Camera for HW assignments.

There will be a photography assignment every week. (Please **DO NOT** bring your camera to school- only the camera memory card with your homework photos. We cannot guarantee the security of your camera.)

Binder with dividers 2 inch binder, with 10 dividers. You will use this as a portfolio, and a place to keep your assignments, and notes (which you will refer to often!) *Please neatly label the front with your name.*

50 sheet protectors- for your binder

Headphones that you will leave in the classroom- we will store them.

You must wear headphones when using any sound, editing video, or recording effects or voiceovers. Please put your name on this as well!

Access to a Digital Video Camera for HW assignments.

We have some that can be signed out to use, but there are over 100 students taking this course throughout the day, and it would be a convenience to you if you have access to one at home.

Media Arts Contract

Please review and have this signed by a parent and returned by the end of this week.

Welcome to Media Arts! Hello, student and parent!

In your quest to become a digital artist, or grow as a digital artist, equipment is needed. The list of the supplies we will be needing is attached. We are very fortunate- the school has made available equipment you will use in this course: computers, software, several video cameras, scanners, blue-screens and stands, etc.

These guidelines are designed for your benefit- they insure that your class time is spent learning new ways to create, and that the tools you need remain available to you and everyone else. Our classroom will be a creative, sharing and cooperative community!

Equipment guidelines:

1. During class, computers are for Media Arts class assignments only.

No games, surfing, checking e-mails, social sites, or outside work.
No YOU TUBE unless specifically directed by the teacher.
(Alternative written assignments are available for every lesson.)

No changing preferences, or desktop images. These are communal machines.

The above are meant to make sure your personal artistic time is not reduced or stalled by distractions or interruptions.

2. Any portable equipment must be checked out with the teacher, and returned promptly on the expected date.

Video cameras and other equipment that you check out are your responsibility.

The student must promptly replace borrowed equipment that is lost or broken while in their possession or use. This insures that your fellow classmates are also able to do their assignments, and the class can move forward. Our supplies are limited. (Please see the back of this sheet for prices of the items that will be available.)

3. Flash drives, camera cards, and any other personal equipment you bring to class must leave the classroom with you everyday.

*Please do not assume anything left behind will be found.
(Exception: headphones. I will store those.)*

These guidelines insure your ability to get work done, and focus on the fun part- learning new ways to create fantastic digital art! Thank you for your cooperation.

Teacher Signature & date: _____

Student Signature & date: _____

Parent Signature & date: _____

Parent E-mail (Required): _____
(When your child takes a piece of equipment out, you will be notified.)

Media Arts/Digital Photography Equipment Price List:

The following items are *not* for sale.
This list is a notification of the liability of the equipment that your son/daughter may need to borrow at some point.



Sony 17-in-1 card reader/writer **\$29.99**



Vista Tripod
\$19.95



Wacom Bamboo Fun Tablet (Small, Silver)
\$79.95



Canon Deluxe Tripod 200 (Quick Release)
\$39.95



Flip Video Mino Camcorder (Black) **\$129.00**



Flexible Mini Tripod
\$13.83



Alesis USB-Microphone Podcasting Kit **\$99.99**



HP Photosmart R717
with battery, memory card
and charger **\$125**



Nikon Coolpix S640 **\$249.95**