**Studio in Creative Crafts**

**Course Description:**

In this course you will be introduced to a wide range of craft areas.

Projects may include:

* Paper making
* Fabric arts
* Basket making
* Jewelry making
* Mosaics
* String art

Students will have an enormous amount of creative freedom in this course.

**Supplies:**

* Notebook or Sketchbook
* Pocket folder w/ Lined Paper

Students will be supplied with most materials for projects. From time to time you may be asked to bring in simple materials from home.

**Projects/Assignments:**

 **Major in-class projects:**

Each will focus on a new craft area with demonstrations, practice and a creative challenge.

**Self-Reflection Essays:**

You are expected to turn in a reflection essay for each project/unit that examines your work and that of one of your peers.

**Independent projects:**

You will have time in class to work independently. This is your opportunity to do what you want to do. Take advantage of it!! Experiment and share with the group. You will teach each other as much as I teach you.

 **Participation/Performance grades:**

Earned weekly.

* Behavior during class time
* Organization & clean up
* Responsible use of materials and tools
* Time on task
* Timeliness of projects/essays

**Course Grading:**

**Projects: 60%**

* Major In-Class Projects (graded on – craftsmanship, effort, creativity, meeting project criteria and includes project essay)

**Homework/Participation: 40%**

* Preparatory work for Projects
* Weekly Participation Grades

\*Extra Credit is not given in my High School courses. Your grade is based on the “regular credit”

**Absence/Late Work Policy:**

It is YOUR responsibility to see me to make up any work if you miss class. Become familiar with our website and be sure to check there for announcements and assignments if you are out.

If an assignment is not completed it will receive a zero. We have a limited amount of assignments in this course. One or two zero’s will crush your average.

 As you will see, we don’t have much time, so use what you have wisely and advocate for yourself if you need help or more time.

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