

INTERMEDIATE STANDARDS & BENCHMARKS

Grade 6

Standard: Students will understand, produce, and value visual art.

Benchmarks:

- Analyze, apply, and evaluate creative choices based on the art elements and principles of design in selected works of art.
- Explain how the choice of materials and techniques influences the expressive quality of art.
- Create original works of art reflecting creative choices and technical skill.
- Select and justify specific media and processes to express moods, feelings, themes, or ideas.
- Analyze artworks that represent a variety of styles and subjects.
- Analyze the role of artworks created by various cultures in selected periods of history.
- Describe ways in which the principles and subject matter of other disciplines are interrelated with the visual arts.
- Discuss possible contemporary and historic meanings in specific artworks.
- Make informed judgments about works of art based on specific criteria.

Grade 7 and 8

Standard: Students will understand, produce, and value visual art.

Benchmarks:

- Analyze artwork by comparing and contrasting the elements and principles of design in selected works.
- Create increasingly complex original works of art reflecting creative choices and technical skill.
 - Select and apply art media, techniques, and processes to communicate experiences and ideas.
- Determine that specific works of art and objects belong to particular cultures, times, and places.
- Compare the similarities and differences among the characteristics of artworks from various eras and cultures.
- Distinguish among multiple purposes for creating works of art.
- Discuss how one's own artworks, as well as artworks from various eras and cultures, may elicit a variety of responses.