

HCA ART NEWS 6-8

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AUGUST ART NEWS

Welcome to a brand new year at HCA! My name is Melody McWhorter. For many of your students, I am a familiar face. I taught at HCA for a few years before staying home to have my second son. I have two sons, Caleb, who is 6 and in the 1st grade here, and Andrew, who is two and as wild as can be. I am happy to be back, and it has been great seeing my old students and meeting new ones.

As an art teacher I want to introduce students to the many different angles of art. I want to prepare students for their futures by stressing the importance of visual problem solving, creative thinking, enhancing critical thinking skills, and to open doors between art, other academic curriculum, and the world beyond HCA's doors. Through helping motivate students to make visual connections, I want to help them express themselves and their relationships to their families, cultures, society, and the world. The act of creating art is a gift from God and through our creating we can glorify Him. We will create artworks with a variety of art mediums, such as pencil, charcoal, pastels, watercolors, tempera paint, and multi media. Students will be introduced to elements of art, line, shape, form, value, texture, space, and color, and they will obtain knowledge about the principles of design by applying repetition, emphasis, rhythm, harmony, contrast, balance, and unity to their own conceptual ideas expressed in their compositions. The student will be inspired by art history and molded through Christ's word, while acquiring new critical thinking skills, ideas, and concepts in the visual arts to express themselves for the glory of God across their scholastic curriculum and in life.



Feel free to contact me with any concerns, questions, or ideas; melody.mcwhorter@hcaga.org or by phone 678-524-3494. I look forward to this year and all that we will accomplish.

INTRODUCING THE ELEMENTS OF ART

AUGUST 2010

This month 6th graders are making portfolios to keep their art works in. They will also begin the year reviewing the elements of art and then focusing on color theory and perspective. 7th and 8th graders will begin with lessons on perspective and line.

Special points of interest:

- * Elements of Art: line, space, shape, color, form, texture, and value.
- * Principles of Design: repetition, emphasis, rhythm, harmony, contrast, balance, and unity.



HCA ART NEEDS

The art classes will be in constant need of paper towels and disinfectant wipes throughout the year. If you feel the need to pick up these items while you are grocery shopping, we would greatly appreciate it. Just send them along with your student.

Genesis 1:1
"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

HCA is looking for an used Kiln for ceramics and pottery. If anyone knows where we might find a medium sized kiln that would be available for donation or for sale please contact me.