

Parkway School District Visual Arts Curriculum

First Grade



Elementary art education develops perceptual awareness, visual literacy, creative problem solving, and higher order thinking skills. Barretts students have art classes once every four days for 55 minutes, with a visual arts specialist. School, Regional and All-District art shows provide opportunities for students to display their work.

First Grade students will:

- *identify and name different types of line and use line to create shapes, forms, and patterns*
- *identify and mix primary and secondary colors and recognize warm and cool colors*
- *begin to use shading in artwork*
- *identify and use basic geometric and organic shapes, repeat shapes to create patterns, and organize them into a pictorial composition*
- *gain experience in creating 2-D and 3-D art*
- *recognize, understand and use a variety of textures*
- *identify and create foreground and background using size relationships*
- *identify and create a center of interest in artwork and begin to use concepts of balance in compositions*
- *use a variety of basic materials, media, techniques, and processes*
- *continue to develop fine motor skills, learn to handle all tools and materials safely, and begin to recognize good craftsmanship*
- *understand and follow a series of directions*
- *continue to make simple choices that help communicate ideas*
- *begin to understand that cultures have different styles and recognize distinctive characteristics of the artwork*
- *recognize historical differences in visual examples*
- *begin to recognize connections between the visual arts and other subject areas*
- *describe artwork and identify media using art vocabulary*
- *describe emotional responses to artwork.*
- *begin to develop the ability to discuss the quality of artwork*
- *begin to identify and classify basic types of artwork and media*

First Grade Art: 1:00-1:55 pm

Sugrue: A Days
Temple: B Days
Williams: D Days

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