

# BERKS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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## The Art Department has the following objectives:

- ❖ Students will experience and gain an appreciation/understanding for the four disciplines of Art Education in accordance with the National Art Education Standards.
- ❖ Students will be able to know, use, and recognize the elements and principles of design.
- ❖ Students will develop an awareness, understanding, and appreciation of the order and beauty of God's creation and of the manmade works of art.
- ❖ Students will develop perceptual awareness for the beauty of the world and art that surrounds them.
- ❖ Students will be stimulated to discover and reinforce their concept of self-expression and self-worth.
- ❖ Students will be encouraged to discuss art thoughtfully and intelligently.
- ❖ Students will learn self discipline when creating their art, and self-pride in the work they complete.
- ❖ Students will learn a vast knowledge of artists, art works, and art styles of the past and present.

## Minor: Art Appreciation                      Grade 9 Required

Students begin to appreciate design by observing as much art as possible. Art Appreciation deals with both the elements and the principles of design. With each element and principle presented, students will be given vocabulary and be shown art works that utilize the design technique being presented. With that knowledge, students will complete an art studio activity. In short, students will gain a better understanding of the art that surrounds them.

## Art I Grade 11, 12 College Prep

## Art II Grade 11, 12

## College Prep

Prerequisite: Department recommendation

Art I and II are designed around the National Visual Arts Standards. Students will be working with both two and three-dimensional design. Projects include drawing, painting, sculpture, mixed media collage, ceramics, and crafts. Students will learn the techniques of each media we cover in order to solve the problems proposed with each studio project. Students will be encouraged to stretch the limits of their creativity, and emphasis will be on achieving individual self-expression.

## Media and Film Production

## Grade 11 and 12

## College Prep

This course is designed to introduce students to the basic technology and process of producing a creative work in the video medium and the techniques of digital editing. We will be working with GarageBand, iMovie, Final Cut Pro X, and LiveType. Lectures, demonstrations, and hands on experience will lead the students from pre-production considerations through the phases of production and post-production. Videos include a Day in the Life, Narrative, Original Commercial, Music Video, and others. Students will focus on visual expression of ideas and emotions. This class will require outside class work for the filming of footage in a cooperative group.

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## **Art Awareness                      Grade 11 and 12      College Prep**

Prerequisite: Department recommendation Art History is a hands-on exploration into the world or art history. Students will take a chronological approach to historical developments of painting, sculpture, architecture, and crafts from the Renaissance era to the present. The class focuses on the artist, their processes, their source of inspiration and how social, religious, and philosophical factors affected them. Throughout the class, students will learn to push the boundaries of their perception of art. They will develop a critical eye for art of the past and present. There will be mandatory projects, however, skill is not necessary, just an interest in art, movement, and artists.

## **Craft Design & Ceramics                      Grade 11 and 12      College Prep**

This course is an introduction to the fine art of crafts and specifically the art of ceramics. If you like working with your hands in order to create a meaningful work of art, then this is a great class for you. The class will emphasize fundamental skill building, technique, craftsmanship, and safety within the practices of three dimensional design and ceramics. The course will be divided into 2 semesters of work. The first semester will focus on an array of crafts where the studio projects may include weaving, papermaking, mosaic, screen printing, and collage. The second semester we will focus on ceramics and the techniques surrounded by the art form. Studio projects will include work with pottery and sculpture.

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