

Mr. Palacios  
Trinity Christian Academy  
The Art of Design  
Elective Course Syllabus

Course Description: The Art of Design is an 18 week course designed to take an indepth look at God's design within art. The Art of Design is a class for students who desire to be challenged artistically in the elements of 2D drawing. Students will learn about the design process as well as specifics like unity, focal point, balance, scale and proportions, and rhythm. Students will maintain a notebook for vocabulary and sketchbook for practicing the skill they are learning in any given week. Students will be evaluated on utilizing a particular skill(s) within sketches and design projects as well as the ability to explain which techniques they're using in conjunction with appropriate vocabulary. All artwork will be done by 2D drawings, however, students will be challenged to think outside of the required medium when completing projects. All design projects will incorporate hypothetical real-world problems.

Major Topics: Design Process, Unity, Emphasis and Focal Point, Scale and Proportion, Balance, Rhythm, Line, Shape/Volume, Pattern and Texture, Illusion of Space, Illusion of Motion, Value, Color

#### Projects:

Q1: Design Process 8/24, Social Awareness Posters\* 9/14, Album Design\* 10/8, Portfolio 10/10

Q2: Company Logos\* 11/5, Student's choice\* 12/4, Final Portfolio 12/11, Art Trek 12/14

\*Projects are worth two quiz grades.

#### Required Materials:

- Design Basics by David A Lauer/ Stephen Pentak 7th Edition (Mandatory)
- 100 sheet sketchbook
- 1 Subject Spiral notebook or Composition book
- Graphite pencil set (6 or 12), Sharpener, Erasers

#### Class Rules/Policies:

1. Be prepared for learning when class begins. (Good judgment, fairness, courage)
2. No cell phones or electronic devices unless permitted for assignments (Good judgment, self restraint)
3. Water may be the only thing consumed in class. (Good judgment, fairness)
4. Never line up at the door before dismissal (Self restraint)

Consequences First offense: Verbal warning with use of redirection. Second offense: Post class conference with parent contact via email. Third offense: Sent to office for further consequences. For extreme cases or breaking institutional rules student will be sent out of class w/referral.

Late Work: 1 day -25%, 2 days -50%, 3 days -100%

Grading: 75% Quizzes 25% Homework/daily work/class participation