

Art at ERE

Objectives

I encourage our young artists to think creatively, solve problems, take a closer look at the world around them and experience the joy of making art! Our art curriculum covers the grade level Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Art (TEKS), providing students a well-rounded understanding of art. This year we will:

- Create individual masterpieces (sculptures, paintings, drawings, collages and much more!).
- Connect art to other subjects, times and places.
- Describe, analyze, interpret and judge artworks from around the world.
- Discuss how and why people all over the world make art.
- Express ourselves and solve problems in positive, creative ways.

Assessment

Students receive their grades in Art based on participation in class discussions, major artworks, sketches, written assignments and group projects. When grading student artwork I look for four things:

- On Topic Did he or she follow the teacher's directions? Did the student meet the objectives given?
- Creativity Does his or her artwork show unique, original thinking?
- Craftsmanship Is his or her artwork neat, clean and show that time and care was taken in creating it?
- Complete Is his or her artwork finished?

<u>At Home</u>

You can support your child's artistic development at home, too. Here are a few suggestions to get started:

- Provide simple, inexpensive art supplies to help your child learn and grow.
- Surround your young artist with art by borrowing art books from the local library.
- Visit our outstanding community of local museums (many are free).
- Find art in your everyday world. Take time to point out patterns in buildings, colors in nature and ask your young artists what they see. Beauty is everywhere!

