

Mrs. O'Connell

Art Teacher

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am excited for the new school year. I am looking forward to inspiring and teaching your children as much as I can during the time that he or she will be in my art class. I teach the entire 6th grade by team for one trimester. I have a 6th grade art enrichment class which runs every other day for half the year. In addition, I run an after-school club called "Digital Art".

My art room has a set of iPads that I use with my students. The addition of the technology is meant to enhance, but not replace, the art experience. Please visit our classroom website to see examples of the fantastic artwork that is produced in the classroom and in the after-school club. The address is listed on the bottom of the page or use the link "Teachers Websites" on the OMS page.

Students are encouraged to be independent, responsible and imaginative artists. I grade long-term projects as "test" grades which are double weighted. These are 80% of the final grade. Short projects are weighted as "quiz" grades. These are 20% of the final grade. Effort and craftsmanship are crucial parts of the artistic process. Approximately 20 points can be earned on every long project for effort and craftsmanship. Students write a short critique at the end of every long project. Approximately 18 points are earned for proper, thoughtful sentences. Attendance is extremely important, as most of our work is done in class. Students must make-up work in a timely manner to receive full credit. Any projects that are late will lose 10 point per week. Any project not passed in by the end of the trimesters will be entered as a zero.

I am available after-school Tuesday through Thursday from 2:15 to 3:00 if students need extra time to finish an assignment. Students may take work home if they need additional time. Please, feel free to email me with any questions or concerns.

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Sincerely,
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