**MMS 7th/8th Grade Art Foundations and Drawing I**

**Ms. Davis**

Dear Parents and Families:

I am thrilled to be your child’s art teacher this year, and look forward to getting to know you and your child! I appreciate being a part of this fine school, along with the opportunity to carry on its tradition of arts integration. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or ideas to help us foster your child’s artistic growth and success! My email is Aubrey.davis@madison-schools.com

***Assignments and Grading:***

Test Grades: Projects will be self-assessed with project rubrics after formative critique assessment.

Daily Grades: One or 2-day projects, Daily Bell ringers (writing and drawing prompts worth 20 points each) Participation grade (every five class periods I take up participation slips)

-Homework is minimal, and only in preparation for projects; journal reflections, and \*quizzes.

*Extra Credit: Information about Extra Credit can be found on my teacher page. We are accepting pencils, ULTRA FINE tip sharpies, and/or gallon ziploc bags for pawprints at the beginning of the year.*

***Discipline: School and District rules are enforced. The art studio requires added respect for one another and peer cooperation along with care of studio, art supplies, and art work.***

 ***First Offense Verbal or Written Warning***

 ***Second Parental contact by email or phone***

 ***Third Second parental contact; assigned seat***

 ***Fourth Office Referral***

**Supply Fee:** This year, we are instituting a $20.00 Art Fee instead of asking for a list of supplies. We feel that this change will allow us to purchase supplies of high quality in bulk, thereby saving money, and eliminating this shopping chore. We ask that this fee be paid by **Friday, September 18.** You can pay online at **schoolbucks** and **cash** or **checks** are acceptable as well. **Please make out any checks to “Madison Middle School.”**

**Clothing for Art:** While every precaution is taken to insure safe and careful use of paints and supplies, accidents happen. I encourage students to wear an old tee shirt, or to bring an apron to cover their clothing. Students may store a smock or apron in the classroom.

*I invite you to take an active role in your child’s artistic training. Please feel free to email me to arrange a meeting time to discuss your child’s progress.*

*Yours truly,*

*Aubrey Davis*

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