

## 6-8 Art Curriculum

### 6th Grade- Identity

- Journal Construction
  - ◆ Tagboard, staples
- Identity Web Activity
- Self Portrait
  - ◆ Pencil drawing
  - ◆ Colored pencil blending
  - ◆ Self portraits throughout history
- Identity Symbol
  - ◆ Painted background- acrylic or watercolor
  - ◆ Pencil drawing, Sharpie outline
  - ◆ Colored pencil- Value
- Important Event or Place
  - ◆ Collage
  - ◆ Composition
  - ◆ Construction paper, patterned paper, magazines, yarn/ribbon, etc.
  - ◆ Historical and contemporary collage examples
- Decorated Initial
  - ◆ Linoleum block relief printmaking
  - ◆ History of letters/words in art
- Ceramics/Sculpture- tile or monster
  - ◆ 2D vs. 3D

### 7th Grade- Art that Communicates a Message

- Journal Construction
  - ◆ Cardboard, construction paper, fabric, stitched binding
- Endangered Species
  - ◆ Ceramic plate or acrylic painting
  - ◆ Research component
  - ◆ Art that raises awareness
  - ◆ History of animals in art
  - ◆ Maya Lin- “What is Missing?”; Andy Warhol “Endangered Species Series”
- Challenging the Media
  - ◆ Photoshop
  - ◆ Visual culture- Power of everyday images/media
  - ◆ Art that communicates an opinion/idea
  - ◆ Barbara Kruger

### 8th Grade- Purposes of Art

- Journal Construction
  - ◆ Cardboard, book cloth, fabric, stitched binding (new technique)
- Careers in Art
  - ◆ Watercolor painting
  - ◆ Research component
  - ◆ Practical application of art skills
- Documentary Photography Series
  - ◆ iPads
  - ◆ Collaboration
  - ◆ Photo series to provide information about middle school experience
  - ◆ Photo composition and photo editing
  - ◆ History of documentary photography
- Ceramics/Sculpture
  - ◆ 2D vs. 3D
  - ◆ Art for aesthetic purposes
  - ◆ Abstract art

\*\*\*Memorial Unit (acrylic painting or embroidery) could work for 7th or 8th grade, depending on time.