



Charles Demuth, *The Figure Five in Gold* (1928)

# Fifth Grade Art

Spring Semester 2012

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## Course Description:

Fifth grade art will explore the elements and principles of art through a variety of different mediums and artistic techniques. The elements of art, things like line, shape, color, and more, are “tools” that we use to construct a unique piece of art. The way you use the elements makes your artwork different from everyone else’s artwork. The principles of art are things like balance, emphasis, pattern and rhythm. These principles are like “rules” for art that help us to create interesting artwork. Every time we create something in art we want to consult these rules and see how to proceed with our projects.

## Expectations:

- 1.) I believe that we are all created in God’s image and because he is creative we have the ability to create as well. I don’t expect you to be a professional artist but I do believe that each student has the capability to create something unique and special. My expectation for you is that you’ll try your best everyday to tap into the creativity that God put inside of you. So make sure your creative juices are flowing when you come to class!
- 2.) Be respectful of yourself, your classmates, and the teacher (this includes substitutes).  
”Three strikes and you are out” – warning / silent art / detention
- 3.) Have fun with art!
- 4.) Be a good steward of the art supplies and equipment. This includes proper use and cleaning of everything in the art room. Misuse of supplies may result in not using that material.
- 5.) Be on time to class and ready to get to work. Four tardies without a note will result in a detention.

**Project List:** (Tentative there may be more or less depending on how each project goes!)

Sketchbooks  
Photography project  
Value Scales/Drawing Techniques  
Charcoal Still Life Drawing  
Watercolor  
Clay project  
Sculpture Project  
Portraits  
Van Gogh style paintings  
Graphic Design Project  
Research project

**Grading:**

Grades will be broken down as follows:

50% - projects-all done in class, if a student misses a day it is his/her responsibility to come to backwork and complete the project.

20% - vocabulary quizzes

15% - daily grades; sketchbook assignments, critiques, etc

15% - participation

At the end of the semester, each student will receive one of the following final grades:

E	90-100
S+	86-89
S	80-85
S-	76-79
N	70-75
U	below 70

**Absences:**

When a student is absent, it is his/her responsibility to come to backwork in order to get caught up on a project or to make up a quiz. Students should check in with Mrs. Ashley about what they missed and how to catch up when they return from being absent.

Please remember to check the fifth grade wiki page to see student work, featured artists, sketchbook assignments and more!

Please email Mrs. Ashley with any questions or concerns: [jashley@wesleyanschool.org](mailto:jashley@wesleyanschool.org)  
I'm looking forward to a very fun semester, I hope you are too!

**Parents' Names:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Child's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

- I have read the 5<sup>th</sup> grade art syllabus, and understand the policies and procedures.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Child's signature)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Parent's signature)

**Please return to Mrs. Ashley by January 6th, 2012**