

**Welcome to Graphic Design I (C1013A)**

In this class we will learn the basics of Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop and InDesign. Projects will allow the student to explore the vast possibilities of these powerful computer programs. The history of graphic design will also be discussed and the requirements of print and digital reproduction will be taught.

Because of the need to use the equipment and materials provided in class it is important that you do not fall behind in your assignments. Use your class time wisely. Work turned in past the deadline (unless otherwise approved by the instructor) will be penalized. There are opportunities to come into class during lunch and after school to work on projects. I cannot over emphasize – DO NOT FALL BEHIND!

**Grading Policy**

The course will consist of class assignments, projects and tests/quizzes.

- Class Assignments are graded on a 100-point scale and count for 30% of your overall grade.
- Projects are graded using 30-point scale and count for 60% of your overall grade:

Explore Concept – 10 pts.  
Proficiency with Medium – 10 pts.  
Quality of Presentation – 10 pts.

28-30 pts. = A • 25-27 pts. = B • 22-24 pts. = C  
19-21 pts. = D • 18 or less = F

- Tests/quizzes are based on a 100-point scale and count for 10% of your overall grade. There is a final exam at the end of the semester which will include vocabulary and performance assessments.

**Supplies**

Please make sure you have the following:

- 1-GB flash drive
- 9” x 12” spiral or book bound sketchbook

**Classroom Management Plan**

In order to provide a safe and creative learning environment, students will abide by the following rules:

- Students will arrive on time.
- Students will have required materials and a willing attitude — ready to work.
- Students will not talk during instruction and critiques.
- Students will refrain from making disparaging or insulting comments.
- Students will remain in their assigned seats until the end of class.
- Students will clean up their work area when directed.
- Students will respect fellow students’ artwork by not touching or handling objects.

Consequences for breaking rules progress as follows:

1. Telephone call to parent or guardian.
2. Behavioral contract.
3. Disciplinary referral to administration.