

**Course:** Digital Photography 1  
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Course Objectives:

We will cover the following topics and subjects:

- The vocabulary and language of art and photography
- Use of media, methods and techniques to create photography/digital images
- The elements of art and principles of design
- Art criticism and theories of photography
- Aesthetics
- Historical periods of photography

New York State Learning Standards for the Visual Arts:

**Standard 1**—Creating, Performing, and Participating in the Arts

**Standard 2**—Knowing and Using Arts Materials and Resources

**Standard 3**—Responding to and Analyzing Works of Art

**Standard 4**—Understanding the Cultural Dimensions and Contributions of the Arts

Supplies Needed:

- A 4Gb Jump-Drive (or Larger)
- A 4GB SD Memory Card
- ***Optional*** - Digital camera

Classroom Rules and Expectations:

1. Respect: Self, Each other, Teacher
2. Come to class on time
3. No cell phones
4. No fly zone: If it doesn't have wings, keep it grounded
5. No "I can't": chances are YOU CAN!
6. Mistakes happen: do not be afraid to make one
7. No food or drink allowed in classroom (exception of bottled water)
8. No swearing: language is not optional
9. Clean up after yourself
10. Be proud of your work: You did it!

Grading will be based on the following criteria:

1. **Participation**
2. **Craftsmanship**
3. **Creativity**
4. **Use of Technique** (specific to project/lesson)

*(Incomplete assignments will be averaged as a "0")*

Teacher Contact Information:

Parents are encouraged to keep in contact and entertain any questions regarding your child's education. Please feel free to contact me via email or by phone at the following. ***Please note that contact by email is preferred due to the fact that I check my email periodically throughout the day and thus can respond more efficiently.***

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Please review this syllabus, sign and return to the art teacher by the next class day.

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By signing this I am stating that I have read the syllabus and understand the rule and expectations of the course.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_