

Meet Art Teacher Jennifer Luce



Why Art Matters

The Arts teach children that problems can have more than one solution and that questions can have more than one answer. The Arts help children learn to say what cannot be said. When children are invited to disclose what a work of art helps them feel, they must reach into their poetic capacities to find the words that will do the job.

The Arts teach children to make good judgments about qualitative relationships. Unlike much of the curriculum in which correct answers and rules prevail, in the Arts, it is judgment rather than rules that prevail.

Credentials

- Over 18 years of teaching experience; 11 years in the DMUSD
- Bachelors Degree in Studio Art and Art History
- California Teaching credential
- Practicing artist; shows her paintings nationally

Curriculum

Ms. Luce teaches art history, art techniques, art relating to architecture with focus on geometry, art and literacy connections, how symbols tell stories, how artists record change, and artists' interpretation of our environment.

Ms. Luce is also an advisor for the student council this year. She is helping with the elections and will be an important advisor for the students with their projects and leadership roles.

Class Activities

In the Art Studio, students learn through experiences with clay, paper-mache, construction, drawing, painting, collage, and printing.

Extracurricular activities include art clubs for grades 4-6; painting sets for drama; garden art projects; social service-oriented art projects for the community; art shows; photography; and a junior project runway at the end of the year.

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