

## Sage Creek High School

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Dear Art 1, 2, 3 and APAH Families,

Welcome to art at SCHS! My name is Mrs. Megan Herrick and I will be one of your teachers this year. I have many exciting things planned as we learn through the creative process. I have been teaching for over 10 years within the Carlsbad Unified School District and have been at Sage since our inaugural year. I have taught art in grades 6-12 and have spent several years working with community arts education programs and as a curatorial assistant. Most of my time is spent in either the classroom or on an adventure with my family. I believe that all children are artists and it is my joy to empower them to remain artists once they grow up.

I hope that you will love this creative outlet and gain an appreciation of art. We will learn how to create with different media and processes of art. We will learn about artists, art history, and how visual imagery influences our understanding of ourselves, others, and the world. We will solve challenging visual arts problems through creativity and innovation. Parents will receive more information at Back to School Night, Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>.

Please read through the Course Syllabus posted on School Loop and Google Classroom. I update assignments and grades on School Loop weekly and it is a great resource. Do not forget to read, sign and return the Art Classroom Contract and the Classroom Rules form.

A sketchbook is required for Art 1, 2 & 3 and either a sketchbook or notebook is required for AP Art History. Personal art supplies are highly suggested for visual arts students (refer to the Art Supplies handout).

This year the VAPA department will be busy preparing and showcasing at the Festival of the Arts in April. Parents, if you are interested in donating your time or resources in the classroom or at any of our events, please let me know. Lastly, I invite you to follow my Instagram @sagecreekhigh\_art and Twitter @MrsHerrickArts for current events, photos and videos of students, accomplishments and innovative learning.

Best,

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