



Talent Assessment Requirements for Visual Art

1. Students are required to bring a portfolio (collection of artwork) to the assessment.
NOTE: Students who do not bring a portfolio will not be eligible to participate in the assessment.
2. Students will be required to complete two on-site art assignments to assess creativity and technical ability.
3. The assessment will last for one to one and half hours. Every attempt will be made to stay on schedule. Parents need to stay on campus during the assessment.

Student Portfolios

- Portfolios should include a collection of approximately 5-10 original artworks.
- Each artwork should include the student's name, school and the age they were when each artwork was created. This can be included on the back of the artwork.
- Portfolios should include artwork that was 100% created by the student
- Portfolios should include artwork that exemplifies quality, natural creativity, and independence.
- Possible artworks include but are not limited to: drawings, paintings, photography, digital art, weavings, pottery, mixed media, and sculpture.
- We cannot be liable for personal technology. All digital submissions must be printed.
- Portfolios should include artwork made at home, or artwork made under the direction of a qualified teacher during art class at school or lessons outside of school.
- Possible topics for works of art may include but are not limited to: people, animals, plants, buildings, landscapes, seascapes, and cityscapes.
- If a student has created sculptures that are large, fragile or otherwise hard to transport, then photos may be submitted.
- If a student uses a sketchbook on a regular basis please include it in the portfolio.
- Portfolios can be presented in a simple manila file folder, a colored pocket folder, or in between a sheet of poster board that has been folded in half. Expensive portfolio cases are not necessary.
- Portfolios should **NOT** include artwork that was traced or created from pre-made coloring worksheets. Direct copies of copyrighted images are also discouraged.
- Portfolios should **NOT** include artwork created by or through prompted direction from parents, older siblings, internet how to draw videos or any other person.
- Portfolios should **NOT** include artworks that are low quality such as quick scribbles or fast drawings.

For More information Call:

Gifted and Talented Office (972) 487-3193

Portfolios will be evaluated by a committee of qualified art teachers:

**The Art Assessment Committee reserves the right to disqualify any student portfolio consisting of artwork aided by parents, professionals, or any person other than the student being assessed*