



2018-2019

KBMS

Fine Arts

Handbook

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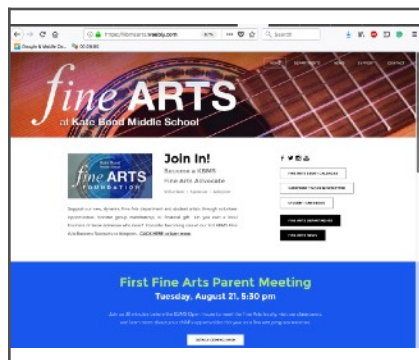
Welcome to the New Fine Arts Department at Kate Bond Middle School!

We are looking forward to working with you this school year and sharing in your child's growth and development as a student artist and creative member of the community.

Celebrating Student Experiences and Achievements

We put children first in every aspect of our work, establishing a safe, nurturing environment in which students are encouraged to explore and discover their creative and academic potential.

Throughout each semester we will provide opportunities for your child to formally perform/present their work at school concerts and events, and at various community venues. These performances/presentations serve as both course requirements and enrichment experiences. We will also post (with parent's permission) images and video from our classrooms on our Fine Arts website, kbmsarts.weebly.com, and on our social media pages for the purpose of showcasing student work.



Visit our new KBMS Fine Arts website: www.kbmsarts.weebly.com

Our Fine Arts website is designed to keep you informed and connected. Features include our department events calendar, details on our 501c3 KBMS Fine Arts Foundation, contact information, and access to our social media accounts: Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, and YouTube. You will also be able to sign up to receive our monthly Fine Arts Newsletter.

Expectations for Our Students

All KBMS Fine Arts students must understand that it is a privilege and an honor to be a member in one of our programs, and we hope that students take pride in that privilege. Students must also understand that mastery of any craft takes daily commitment, effort, and practice. Of course, we are here to guide students towards mastery in their respective areas of study.

Our department philosophy is founded on the principles of self-motivation, creative excellence, professionalism, and a strong work ethic. We believe that by establishing these characteristics in our middle school students they will be better prepared to succeed in high school, they will begin considering possible careers in the arts, and, at the very least, they will develop a lifelong appreciation for the arts.

Rules and Procedures

Classroom rules and procedures will be reviewed during the first week of school and practiced throughout the school year. Each Fine Arts teacher will also have class handbooks, important calendar dates, and additional information available on their respective Fine Arts website Department page.

Respecting Others' View Points

We understand that each student is unique with different beliefs, interests, and points of view. We will work towards promoting an educational setting built on respect and compassion in which every child feels comfortable sharing his/her opinion and contributing to daily classroom discussions. It is also our expectation that every student is open to listening to and considering their peers' view points, learning from one another while engaging in productive, collaborative discourse.

Progressive Discipline

The Fine Arts department will follow a Progressive Discipline system that relies on student redirection, written documentation, and regular parental contact in an effort to discourage disruptive/inappropriate conduct. A school-wide incentive program will be implemented to promote and reward positive student behavior. Parents and students should be familiar with the KBMS Student Handbook as all school-wide rules, procedures, and expectations also apply to the Fine Arts department.

Fine Arts Scoring Rubric

The KBMS Fine Arts Scoring Rubric* provides students and parents with a general overview of the grading structure for fine arts classes. Students who choose to not follow required course activities or choose to not participate during class will be given an alternative assignment aligned with academic enrichment and/or intervention programming. Students receiving alternative assignments may receive a grade no higher than a C provided all alternative assignments are completed and submitted on time. Parents will be notified in these instances.

* See attached KBMS Fine Arts Scoring Rubric

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2018-2019 KBMS FINE ARTS SCORING RUBRIC

	A 100-93	B 92-85	C 84-75	D 74-70	F 69-0
Participation	1. Student actively and consistently participates daily	1. Student actively and consistently participates daily	1. Student actively and consistently participates daily	1. Student inconsistently participates daily	1. Student regularly chooses to not participate
Classwork	2. Student completes all class assignments to the best of his/her ability	2. Student completes all class assignments to the best of his/her ability	2. Student completes all class assignments to the best of his/her ability	2. Student does not complete class assignments	2. Student does not complete class assignments
Performance Credit	3. Student performed in two concerts each semester	3. Student performed in one concert each semester	3. Student did not perform in any concerts	3. Student did not perform in any concerts	3. Student did not perform in any concerts
Attire	4. Student wore specified, appropriate concert attire* to all performances	4. Student wore specified, appropriate concert attire* to all performances	4. Student wore specified, appropriate concert attire* to some performances	4. N/A	4. N/A
Recital Credit	5. Student attended at least one concert as an audience member, completed and submitted evaluation	5. Student attended one concert as an audience member, completed and submitted evaluation	5. Student attended one concert as an audience member, completed and submitted evaluation	5. Student attended one concert as an audience member, completed and submitted evaluation	5. Student did not attend any concerts as an audience member

* Appropriate concert attire will be specified by teacher. Details will be made available to students and families in writing and online at <https://kbmsarts.weebly.com>.

2018-2019 KBMS FINE ARTS AGREEMENT

Please detach, complete, and sign this agreement form and have your child **return it to us by Wednesday, August 15, 2018**. Be sure to check the appropriate boxes at the bottom regarding our Fine Arts Newsletter and media release.

As the parent/guardian of a KBMS Fine Arts student, I understand that my child is responsible for the following:

- Understanding how the course grade is earned per the Fine Arts Scoring Rubric
- Actively participating in class every day
- Arriving prepared for class every day with all required supplies
- Following all classroom rules, procedures, and expectations
- Following all school rules and procedures, including the Code of Respect
- Attending and participating in all required performances or completing approved alternative assignment (to be determined by teacher)

I also acknowledge that I have read the KBMS Fine Arts Scoring Rubric and understand how course grades will be earned.

Parent's Name (printed)

Student's Name (printed)

Parent's Signature

Student's Signature

Contact Phone #

Date

Email Address

PLEASE READ AND CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOXES BELOW

Please add me to the KBMS NEWSLETTER email list.

I give my permission for the KBMS Fine Arts Department to use my child's image and voice in all promotional media.

I DO NOT give my permission for the KBMS Fine Arts Department to use my child's image and voice in all promotional media.