Board Approval Date: July 2018

Grade Level / Course Summary with Big Ideas:

7th grade art is a semester long course, with students meeting twice per cycle, for a total of 28 classes. This course is designed for students to obtain a deeper understanding of traditional and contemporary art. Students will participate in research, production, and critical and aesthetic responses of visual art. Students' work will reflect an alignment with the PA State Standards for the Arts and Humanities with a consideration of the National Art Standards. The focus of this course will be careers in the arts providing students with a foundation of understanding of future opportunities in the arts. The course will combine traditional art careers as well as more contemporary graphic and digital art careers. Students will complete projects inspired by these careers as well as complete research on an art career of their choosing. Technology will be a foundational tool that students will use almost daily. Each student will choose artwork to display in the annual district art show.

Grade Level Modules (Units): 3 Suggested Timeline
of Weeks or # of Class Periods/Lessons

1. Careers in Fine Arts 2 lessons- 12 days

2. Careers in Digital and Graphic Arts 2 lessons- 12 days

3. Research in Careers in Art 1 Lesson- 4 days

Learning Activities/Modes of Formative and Summative Assessment:

Demonstrations

Self and Peer Critique

Rubrics

Writing

Sketchbook prompts

Displaying work

Small and large group discussions

Learning Contracts

Completion of Projects

Learning Stations

Video Tutorials

Primary Instructional Resources:

PA State Standards for Arts and Humanities
National State Standards for the Arts
Acceptable Internet sites
Computer Applications – Adobe Suite, Silhouette, Google Classroom, etc.