

ART ROOM NEWSLETTER #2, November 10, 2023  
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# THE COLTS' STUDIO

## Art Room Newsletter



“Sunset” By: Eloise Faust

### Welcome to the Art Room!

Hi, my name is Mrs. Hartig and I am very excited to be teaching at St. Catherine of Siena School this year! This is my first year at St. Catherine and 13 years teaching overall. I have a BFA in Printmaking and K-12 Art Education from NKU. I live in Camp Springs with my husband, Matt and four teenagers: Charles, Audrey, Will, & James.

### What is **ARTSONIA**??!

I am excited to announce that St. Catherine now has its very own online student art gallery through a company called Artsonia. All parents should have received an invitation and permission email. If you did not, please check your spam folder or let me know. Once each student has permission to post work, the community can view their art, post comments, and order awesome gifts. Our school will then receive gift cards to purchase more art supplies for our classroom. Thank you very much for your support! Here is the link to share with family and friends: Saint Catherine Of Siena Gallery -

<https://www.artsonia.com/schools/school.asp?id=194363>

## What Are We Learning?

I can't believe it's already November! I am having so much fun getting to know the students of St. Catherine! So far, for the second quarter, all classes have been using the autumnal season as inspiration as we continue to explore different drawing media such as colored pencils, oil pastels, chalk and charcoal. We also discussed kitchen fire safety as we worked on posters for the annual contest. Next we will begin to explore different collage techniques as well as begin work on some special holiday gifts! 4th-8th grades have been learning the criteria for WOW projects as they work on their "Wonderful Original Work". What is a WOW project?

**A W.O.W. piece is neat, complete, and finished.**

**A W.O.W. piece is creative, new, and original!**

**A W.O.W. piece shows your growth as an artist.**

**A W.O.W. piece includes an artist's statement.**

**A W.O.W. piece is worked on for many weeks!**

**A W.O.W. piece is your best work, you feel proud!**

## Art Supplies

In case you missed the first newsletter, I requested that EACH GRADE LEVEL bring in the following items to class for everyone to share.. Any extras you send in are also very much appreciated! We could also use packs of [colored Sharpies](#) if you find a good deal and want to make a donation. Thank you!!

**Kindergarten- 2 packs of Crayola Markers Washable Broadline Classic Colors**

**1st Grade-** 4 glue sticks, a spool of ribbon, cord or string- any kind

**2nd Grade-** 4 metallic Sharpies- any colors, 1 roll of aluminum foil

**3rd Grade-** 4 metallic Sharpies- any colors, 1 pack of plain white paper plates non-glossy

**4th Grade-** Crayola Colored Pencils (any color, any size box) & some yarn of any color

**5th Grade-** 1 low-temp mini hot glue gun & a pack of lo-temp glue sticks

**6th Grade-** 4 ultra fine-point black Sharpies, one roll of paper towels

**7th Grade-** 2 white polymer erasers, embroidery floss- any colors

**8th Grade-** 2 white polymer erasers, embroidery floss- any colors

## **Choice Art & T.A.B.**

Unlike traditional Art lessons, my curriculum is based on Teaching for Artistic Behaviors (TAB) and is a learner-directed approach that meets the needs of all learners through choice, flexibility, and emergent curriculum.

We also focus on the Studio Habits of Mind or SHOM in order to develop higher level thinking skills: OBSERVE, ENVISION, ENGAGE & PERSIST, STRETCH & EXPLORE, DEVELOP CRAFT, UNDERSTAND ART WORLDS, EXPRESS, & REFLECT.

The Art room is organized into seven media centers: DRAWING, PAINTING, COLLAGE, FIBER, PRINTMAKING, SCULPTURE, & CLAY so that students can learn how to access supplies independently. Not all centers are open at all times but students will always enjoy levels of choice as they learn to develop their own ideas and skills.

## Coming Soon!

[Colts Studio Instagram Gallery](#)

[Art Supply Donations List!](#)

### **CONTACT:**

You are always welcome to contact me with questions about what your student is learning or about donating supplies: [\*\*jhartig@stcatherineofsiena.org\*\*](mailto:jhartig@stcatherineofsiena.org)