SCPS Middle School Visual Arts, Lara Buss	
Text:	Glencoe, Exploring Art
Supplemental Materials:	Full Visual Art student access to extensive private library of art history and art method books. 50+ SCPS Middle School Art teacher created <i>Smart Board</i> Visual Arts lessons.
Course Description:	DEVELOPING THE WHOLE ARTIST TO THE GLORY OF GOD The Middle School Visual Arts curriculum provides opportunities for students to refine their artistic skills and art history knowledge through a variety of 2-D and 3-D media and techniques, including drawing, painting, printmaking, ceramics, fibers, photography, and sculpture while developing visual-thinking strategies. Students develop an understanding of the elements and principles of design with intentional connections to God's Creation. Interdisciplinary Visual Arts projects also connect to Latin, Geography, History, Language Arts, Science, and Mathematics classes in exciting, experiential ways. Additionally, as a team, SCPS Middle School Visual Arts students create one installment art project to instill an appreciation of giving through community service.
Methods of Evaluation:	 In Class Portfolio Critique with Individual Project Rubric. Each semester has 6 Major Projects, alternating 2D and 3D lessons within the semester. Daily Class Participation Grade. Midterm and Final exams.
Pace of Instruction:	The pace of instruction will be adjusted to meet the overall needs of each particular class. Advanced students are individually paced. An opportunity will be given to fulfill technique requirements on each project.
Course Objectives:	 Empower students to realize their full potential by developing the whole artist to the glory of God. Complete three 2D and three 3D major projects. Student created digital portfolio. Install one community service project. Master art vocabulary. Learn title, artist, and period of 25 most famous pieces of art.
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