

# **Northwestern School Corporation**

## **Visual Arts**

### Mission Statement

Art is the avenue for creative expression and the experience of its tools, materials, and process is significant for the overall growth, development, and critical thinking from infancy through adulthood.

### Philosophy

The Elementary Art Curriculum at Northwestern School Corporation develops our students' knowledge of our past, ourselves, and our surroundings. Art is a means of self-expression and communication involving our emotions as well as logical thought for informed judgments. Students develop skills in problem solving, manipulating media and processes to create works that communicate personal meaning. Our Art Curriculum integrates other subject areas such as math, reading, science, history, music, and technology. Students learn discipline of work ethics, sharing and respect for one another from the planning process to production and critique. Care and craftsmanship build students mastery of skills as well as intrinsic rewards. Sharing art in our community is a vital aspect of our program.