

ADVANCED ARTS PROGRAM

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS AND INTERVIEW/AUDITION PREPARATION GUIDELINES

Animation; CPS Course Code: 922131H/2H

Students will create characters, comics, and cartoons while learning about the masters. Prospective students should have moderate drawing abilities, figure drawing experience, and a sketchbook. This course prepares students for college and beyond in animation, illustration, and more.

Choir (vocal); CPS Course Code: 967131H/2H

Students will learn the fundamentals of music through singing, theory and piano. Open to all singers, beginning through advanced. For your audition prepare one song in any style. This course will prepare vocalists for college and professional auditions.

Creative Arts and Ceramics; CPS Course Code: 901131H/2H

Students will create artwork in clay, collage, assemblage and found object sculpture and ceramics. No experience is required. For your interview please bring your sketchbook, journal, or art projects. After this course you will have a body of work suitable for college applications and beyond.

Culinary; CPS Course Code: 841131H/2H

Students will learn intro through advanced culinary skills and intro to pastry and baking. Beginning through advanced chefs are welcome. Some culinary experience preferred but not required. Students will leave this course prepared for advanced culinary colleges or able to start immediately in a career pathway.

Dance; CPS Course Code: 968131H/2H

In this course dancers explore ballet, modern, jazz, musical theatre and hip-hop styles. In your audition prepare to share your dance background, if any, and what sparked your interest in dance. Many students from this course are prepared for college and dance company auditions.

Drawing and Painting; CPS Course Code: 921151A/2A

This foundational course explores numerous styles and techniques of drawing and painting. A moderate to advanced level in drawing and painting is best. Show us some of your work. During this course students will create a complete portfolio of 24 pieces suitable for any college application.

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Jazz Combo; CPS Course Code: 029131H/029132H

Students will learn improvisation and jazz history by studying and playing the blues and jazz standards. At your audition play a chromatic scale, some major scales, and any jazz standard. Students will be prepared for college auditions and more through numerous performances and theory.

Rock Band; CPS Course Code TBD

Learn to play a plethora of rock tunes, from classic to contemporary, in this new course. Please prepare a song that showcases your strengths on any of the following instruments: guitar, drums, bass, keyboards, or by singing. This course will help students with college application preparedness and jobbing musician opportunities.

Photography; CPS Course Code: 924151A/2A

Students will explore photography, photographic manipulation, editing, and printing. Open to beginning and intermediate photographers. In your interview plan to show us your best photos. You will create a cohesive, diverse, portfolio for college and beyond.

Theater (acting); CPS Course Code: 950131H/2H

This course explores verbal and nonverbal creative exploration and character development. No experience required. Prepare a 30 to 60 second monologue or poem. This course teaches acting and communication, a skill crucial to success in all endeavors.

Video (movies); CPS Course Code: 694131H/2H

This introductory course focuses on film/video-making as an interdisciplinary art. No experience is required. Plan to share any of the following: videos, photos, sketchbook, short stories, etc. During this course students will prepare a college level portfolio to present to post-secondary schools.

Questions?

email: advancedarts@cps.edu or call **312-578-9485**.

Or visit advancedarts.cps.edu for the student application and open house/interview/audition schedule.