

Berrien Springs Partnership Lab Syllabus and Instructor Qualifications

LABS (CLASSES) ARE PROVIDED AS AN EDUCATIONAL SOURCE FOR PBL (PROJECT BASED LEARNING)

COMMUNITY CLASS TITLE: Prosper Arts- Beginning Sewing

GRADE OR AGE LEVELS: K-5

Maximum Students: 6 maximum (4 students minimum per class)

FORMAT: IN-PERSON

DAY AND TIME OF THE WEEK: Fridays 2-3:30pm September 8 - December 1 (NO CLASSES THANKSGIVING WEEK) optional Student Gallery Expo in December-time/place TBD

TOTAL REQUIRED HRS: 80 percent (10 classes)

TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS POSSIBLE: 18hrs.

LOCATION: 117 W Ferry St. Berrien Springs Mi. - Studio is located above the Rabbit Yarn shop. Parking is on the street and the entrance is in the back. (Look for the green Prosper Arts signs)

INSTRUCTOR: *Kelsey Clear and Heather West*

CONTACT INFORMATION: Heather's Phone: 269-351-2351 (call or text)

REGISTRATION AT SITE ADDITIONAL REQUIRED? Yes, a waiver will need to be signed at drop off on the first day of class.

INSTRUCTOR QUALIFICATIONS:

Kelsey Clear has been teaching sewing, embroidery and knitting for 15 years, and has worked as a custom tailor and dressmaker for over 7 years.

Mrs. West has several years of business, teaching, and art experience. She was very excited to open the Prosper Arts Llc studio and offer creative classes to students locally.

COURSE DESCRIPTION (OVERVIEW):

In this class, we will learn about the basics of sewing, including hand sewing, machine sewing, using an iron, hand embroidery, and machine quilting. There will be a snack and games break time in the middle of each class. Students should bring a sewing machine if they have one. Please call or text Mrs. Heather if your student will need to use a classroom sewing machine. (269-351-2351)

Each student should bring 3 yards of cotton fabric (each yard can be a different pattern.) Fabrics are easy to find and there are often sales at Walmart, Joann Fabrics, or Hobby Lobby.

SYLLABUS/OUTLINE: WEEKLY BREAKDOWN OF PROJECT-BASED LEARNING LAB ACTIVITIES:

Week 1: Intro to sewing, brief history, [Name Tags]

Week 2: Machine sewing-history and safety, [Pillowcase]

Week 3: Folk embroidery traditions- [Hand Embroidered belt]

Week 4: Textiles study- Field Trip to Lemon Creek Ltd. Choose fabric for tapestry bag

Week 5: Review of textiles study [Tapestry bag]

Week 6: free studio [complete projects or create something new]

Week 7: Using scraps, Economy of Materials [scrappy coaster plate]

Week 8: Using scraps, Economy of Materials [mini quilt]

Week 9: Environmental impact- [Cotton/Linen Hand Hemmed dish towel]

Week 10: Sewing as Art! [Crazy Quilt Art Piece]

Week 11: Intro to clothing [Simple Vest]

Week 12: Conclusion of Sewing [finish up/mending]

COURSE OBJECTIVES AND APPROXIMATE TARGET DATES:

There will be a short quiz each class period over the topic of the previous class. By the end of the semester, students should have all projects complete and there will be an optional gallery for students to display their creations for others to enjoy. The gallery will be on a Sunday afternoon. Date and time TBD.

STUDENT ASSESSMENT - what will be used to evaluate student progress and/or end of semester pass/fail status?

- 1) Student agrees to attend at least 80% of class sessions/lessons offered. Attendance is kept online and tracked by Partnership staff. Failure to meet 80% or be on track

to meet 80% may result in program discontinuation.

- 2) The Partnership Student Assessment or Performance Form is filled out by the teacher and turned into Partnership staff. The link to this form is found on the web page for this class. Failing marks for lack of participation, behavior issues, practice time, etc. may result in program discontinuation.

Class-specific assessment:

The Partnership Student Assessment form is filled out by the teacher and turned in to the Partnership staff.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES: (online, books, video, etc.):

It's a Wrap-Sewing Fabric Purses, Baskets and Bowls by Susan Breier

CLASS POLICIES: ATTENDANCE, BEHAVIOR, WEATHER, ETC.

Attendance: Students are required to attend at least 8 classes for the semester. Please notify in advance by text if your student will be absent.

Weather: If classes are canceled due to weather, a text will be sent out at least two hours prior to class start times. Snow days will coincide with Berrien Springs public schools.

Behavior: Students are expected to treat others with kindness, listen, and follow instructions.

Other: Snacks will be provided during each class so please contact Heather with any dietary restrictions.