Berrien Springs Partnership Syllabus and Instructor Qualifications

**CLASS TITLE:** Beginning Glass Fusing **Maximum Students: 8**  
**GRADE OR AGE LEVELS:**   All  
**START DATE:  See attached schedule            END DATE:  See attached schedule**

**# WEEKS TOTAL:    10        WEEKS OFF: 0**

# **HOURS (REQUIRED):**      80%   = 8 classes                             # **HOURS (POSSIBLE):   
TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS POSSIBLE: 17.5=10 Classes**  
**LOCATION/ADDRESS: DIRECTIONS TO LOCATION (if needed): 3579 E. Snow Rd., Berrien Springs, MI 49103.** Park at an angle on the right side of the driveway proceed toward the garage then follow the signs down the outside stairs to the classroom.  
  **MAIN INSTRUCTOR:** Jill Dodge

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION AT SITE REQUIRED?       NO   
MAIN INSTRUCTOR QUALIFICATIONS:

BS Elementary Education

COURSE DESCRIPTION (complete overview shown on website):

Are you ready to begin your glass fusing education? The foundation for all hot glass working starts here. Glass fusing is the process of using a kiln to manipulate glass under heat. Good news, it's easy to learn the basics of fusing glass. It's also challenging, fun, the possibilities are endless! It’s CREATIVE. You will take your art skills to a higher level with the knowledge of glass fusing. Projects may include: coaster, plate, bowl, sun catcher, soap dish, pendant, key chain, night light, tile etc... We'll learn safety and start our first glass project on the first day.

Elementary Art Sampler

Course Outline

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| Week  1 | Funny Faces  Learning how to use mosaic size glass to make faces. |
| Week  2 | Animals  Learning design from basic shapes |
| Week  3 | Bugs or Flowers  Learning how to use wire with glass fusing |
| Week  4 | The Beach  Learning how to use glass frit to make a beach landscape |
| Week  5 | 4”Mosaic Edged Plate  Plan an edge design on paper and bring it to life on a plate. |
| Week  6 | Coasters  Stringer Method |
| Week  7 | Flower Field  Using Frit, small glass pieces and stringers |
| Week  8 | Under the Sea Sun Catcher  Learning how to make a multi layered seascape including copper elements. |
| Week  9 | Under the Sea - continued |
| Week 10 | Under the Sea - finish |

STUDENT ASSESSMENT - what will be used to evaluate student progress and/or end of semester pass/fail status?  
All classes abide by the following:

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 in to 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:** discuss and include the form or a link to the form that you use.

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

See what your local library has for ceramics books.

Pinterest

Funny Faces <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/341358846758877564/>

The Beach <https://www.flickr.com/photos/29817729@N04/9166391159/>

4”Mosaic Edged Plate <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/341358846758094268/>

Coasters <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/341358846758223735/>

Field of Flowers <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/61643088636546449/>

Animals <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/331999803765807359/>

Wire <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/205899014186670509/>

<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/639370478339811143/>

Under the Sea <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=clARlUdRE6I> (ours will be a sun catcher)

You Tube

Glass Fusing <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W4ZtqG5GCbU>

CLASS POLICIES: ATTENDANCE, BEHAVIOR, WEATHER, ETC.

**Attendance:**Make arrangements ahead of time if possible. If not, please text before class starts. Student must attend 80% of this class to remain in good standing with the BSPP.

**Behavior:**  Student must be on task during class, and able to follow directions.

**Weather:** If canceling an email and/or a text message will be sent no later than two hours before a class is scheduled to meet.

**Other:  -** Because of social distancing, the parents waiting area will not be available. Please plan to bring your child 5 minutes before class starts and pick up your child promptly at class end time.

- Park at an angle on the right side of the driveway, this allows everyone to come and go as needed.

- Shoes are removed upon arrival in the classroom. Please plan to bring a pair of shoes for classroom use, they do not have to be new, but do need to have clean soles and be dedicated for classroom use.