Berrien Springs Partnership Syllabus and Instructor Qualifications

**CLASS TITLE:** Ceramics 1 **Maximum Students: 15**  
**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                               
**LOCATION/ADDRESS: DIRECTIONS TO LOCATION: 3579 E. Snow Rd., Berrien Springs, MI 49103.** Park at an angle on the right side of the driveway, proceed past the right side of the garage to the pole barn. The classroom door is to the left of the 12 foot pole barn door. Full address will be sent to parents by email a week before class starts.  
  **MAIN INSTRUCTOR:** Jill

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

**Phone: (269) 845-0279      Email:    jdodge@shamrocks.us**

ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION AT SITE REQUIRED?       NO   
MAIN INSTRUCTOR QUALIFICATIONS:

BS Elementary Education

COURSE DESCRIPTION (complete overview shown on website):

Description: Unleash your inner creativity! Hand built ceramic projects will allow you to explore your creative genius! Students will be guided through some group projects, but the majority of projects will be of their own choosing. Returning students will gain new skills through projects according to individual skill level.

Ceramics 2

Course Outline

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| Week  1 | Projects – Tic, Tac, Toe Game  Design and construct a clay slab game board. |
| Week  2 | Project – Animal  Create an animal pencil holder |
| Week  3 | Project – Desk organizer  Create a clay slab, extruded shapes, and the scratch and attach method. |
| Week  4 | Project – Bird House  Design and construct from clay slabs individual bird house. |
| Week  5 | Project – Pasta Print Tile  Each student will make a kitchen item and use dry pasta to create individual designs. |
| Week  6 | Project – A Cup |
| Week  7 | Project – Wall Pocket  Design and construct from clay slabs a wall pocket. |
| Week  8 | Painting |
| Week  9 | Painting |
| Week 10 | Finish painting projects.  Bring a box and packing material to take home projects! |

Projects above are a guideline; student driven projects can be arranged according to individual creativity and skill level.

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.

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

Pinterest and YouTube Search: Beginning Hand building, Handmade Ceramics, Ceramic Slab cup, vase…, Ceramic Coil projects

See what your local library has for ceramics/pottery books.

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 the teacher is canceling class an email and/or a text message will be sent no later than two hours before a class is scheduled to meet. This message will go to the email and phone number on file with the BSPP. This information will be sent with the BSPP mass email and text software, therefore you will not reach anyone by calling or texting that number. You must use Mrs. Dodge’s information listed above to contact her.

**Other:**

* Please plan to bring your child 5 minutes before class starts and pick up your child promptly at the end of class.
* Parents are welcome at drop off and pick up times. Special arrangements must be made to stay during class time
* Park at an angle on the right side of the driveway. This allows everyone to come and go as needed.
* A class fee is charged if class is dropped before count day.