**Berrien Springs Partnership Syllabus and Instructor Qualifications**

**Class Title:**  Acrylic, Watercolor and Pastels Session 1

**Grade Levels:** grades 4-8

**Fall Start Date:** September 14th, 2020 **End Date:** November 2nd, 2020

**Spring Start Date:** January 11, 2021    **End Date:** March 1st, 2021

**Weeks Total:** 8 weeks fall/8 weeks in spring     **Weeks Off:** National Holidays and Spring Break

**Days and Weeks available:** Monday’s from 10am-12pm

**Required Hours:** 16 **Possible Hours:**18-20 with 1-2 make-up days TBD

**Address:** 2642 W John Beers Rd. Stevensville, MI 49127 **Main Instructor:** Julie Nitz

**Additional Instructors (background checked):**

**Contact Information:** Julie Nitz

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INSTRUCTOR QUALIFICATIONS: Bachelor’s Degree in Fine Arts from Western Michigan University with over 9 years of teaching children and adult art classes.

**Course Description:** Students will learn how work with different mediums such as watercolor, acrylic, marker, chalk pastels and oil pastels.

SYLLABUS/OUTLINE: WEEKLY BREAKDOWN OF PROJECT-BASED LEARNING ACTIVITY

**Class Materials**  
\*All materials will be provided Session summary:

**Week Class**

Week 1 We will work with acrylic and wood.

Week 2 We will work with watercolor on different paper materials.

Week 3 We will work with acrylic and plastic and learn how to seal it.

Week 4 We will work with markers to create a tie dye effect.

Week 5 We will work with mixed media on canvas.

Week 6 We will create a step-by-step painting with acrylic on canvas board. Subject matter TBD.

Week 7 We will work with chalk pastel and media paper to create a still life floral piece.

Week 8 We will work with acrylic and Sharpie markers on tiles to create drink coasters.

\*There will be a make-up class TBD

STUDENT ASSESSMENT:

The students will work on a sketchbook each week outside of class. Fail/Pass option: Pass: Students cooperate during class time, practice at home, and demonstrate progress to receive a passing grade.

All classes abide by the following:

1. The student must agree to attend at least one 2 hour a week. 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. Failing marks for lack of participation, behavior issues, , etc. may result in program discontinuation.

CLASS POLICIES: ATTENDANCE, BEHAVIOR, WEATHER, ETC.

**Attendance:** Students must meet on time.

**Behavior:** Respectful towards teacher and peers.

**Weather:** Classes are not canceled due to weather. Classes are excused when school is canceled.

**COVID-19:** As of July 16th, 2020 all students must wear a mask during the 2 hour class. Each day students will be temperature checked. This may be subject to change per Executive Orders from Governor Whitmer.