

Berrien Springs Partnership Syllabus and Instructor Qualifications

CLASS TITLE: Sewing 101

GRADE OR AGE LEVELS: Grades 3 and older must have the ability to work on their own.

Maximum Enrollment: 4 students

Minimum Enrollment: 3 students

START DATE: September 12 /**January 23** **END DATE:**

WEEKS TOTAL: 16 weeks of Instruction **WEEKS OFF:** Christmas/New Years

DAY/TIME REQUIRED: Monday 11-12 pm **ADD'L DAYS/WK AVAILABLE:**

HOURS (REQUIRED): 13 hours/sem **# HOURS (POSSIBLE):** 16 hours/sem

TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS POSSIBLE: 16

LOCATION/ADDRESS: 2601 N. 5th Street, Niles, MI 49120

DIRECTIONS TO LOCATION (if needed):

MAIN INSTRUCTOR: Constance Croom

ADDITIONAL PRIMARY INSTRUCTORS (background checked): None

CONTACT INFORMATION: phone: 616-617-8646 email: designerfigleafs@gmail.com

website: <https://www.nilessteamroom.com/>

ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION AT SITE REQUIRED? YES NO X

IF YES, INSTRUCTIONS FOR REGISTRATION:

MAIN INSTRUCTOR QUALIFICATIONS:

Hi, I am Constance Croom. I always say, I really don't ever remember not knowing how to sew because my aunt, mother and grandmother were sewing something all the time.

I have a certificate in custom alteration tailoring from Szalay's European Custom Tailoring, who is a master tailor. I learned a lot from him and he helped to advance my skills. I knew how to sew and had the right concepts but the wrong method.

Owning a business is something I've always wanted and for many years worked from home. In July of 2016, I was given an opportunity to open a custom alterations shop downtown Grand Rapids in an incubator space for two years.

I have taught; learn your sewing machine basics, how to use your included accessories, reading your pattern envelope/instruction sheet, sewing and embroidering classes and tailoring techniques. What I focus most on is skill building because my goal is for you not to need me.

COURSE DESCRIPTION (complete overview shown on website):

Come gain the knowledge you need to start your journey to sewing or learn new skills in this 16 week course. 2nd semester will be student choice providing 1st semester concepts have been mastered.

Students will have the opportunity to showcase their choice projects in a virtual public art show on the Niles STEAM Room website.

SYLLABUS/OUTLINE: weekly breakdown of Project-Based Learning activities

Describe activities that will reinforce the lesson. Include any work and time to be required outside of class. List here or (circle) SEE ATTACHMENT.

As artists identify their learning goals, weekly accountability will take place. The instructor will provide helpful feedback to lead to a positive outcome.

COURSE OBJECTIVES AND APPROXIMATE TARGET DATES:

Steps to check for student understanding, along with dates or # of weeks into class:

As artist focused goals are laid out, artists will demonstrate they understand by producing a project generated from those self-directed goals.

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.

Finalized projects will be assessed on how much the artist has advanced in their techniques.

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

CLASS POLICIES: ATTENDANCE, BEHAVIOR, WEATHER, ETC.

Attendance: It is expected that an artist attends all sessions for the best outcome and learning experience.

Behavior: Responsible behavior is expected. Adherence to safety and procedural policies will be expected at all times. Honoring fellow artists will be expected by encouraging one another on their work.

Weather: If the Niles School District is closed due to weather, this course will also be closed.

Other: If an event like COVID 19 were to happen again, each artist may take their project home. If needed, the artist may borrow a sewing machine from the STEAM Room. Virtual instruction will continue, each week.