

# Berrien Springs Partnership Syllabus and Instructor Qualifications

**CLASS TITLE:** Be Creative for Beginners, start leaning the basics of design, photo, video

**GRADE OR AGE LEVELS:** 3th - 4th

**START DATE:** 1-24-2022

**END DATE:** 5-29-2022

**# WEEKS TOTAL:** 16

**DAY OFF:**

**WEEKS OFF:** Spring Break

**DAY/TIME REQUIRED:**

Students can sign up for one of two different class times per week,  
max 7 students per class:

Monday 2:30-3:30 Start Date January 24th

Monday 3:30-4:30 Start Date January 24th

**ADD'L DAYS/WK AVAILABLE:** For groups or family of students additional times may be available.

**# HOURS/wk (REQUIRED):** 1 hours

**# HOURS (POSSIBLE):** 16 hours

**TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS POSSIBLE:** 16 hours

**LOCATION/ADDRESS:** 2472 Honeysuckle Ln, Berrien Springs MI 49103

**DIRECTIONS TO LOCATION (if needed):** Half way between Berrien Springs and Benton Harbor on M-139 very close to Kickers Soccer Field

**MAIN INSTRUCTOR:** Robert Ritzenthaler Jr.

**ADDITIONAL PRIMARY INSTRUCTORS (background checked):** No additional primary instructors.

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION AT SITE REQUIRED? YES NO

IF YES, INSTRUCTIONS FOR REGISTRATION:

**MAIN INSTRUCTOR QUALIFICATIONS:** Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) Degree from Andrews University. I have been working in the creative graphic design, photo, and video industry for the past 25year. Owner of my own Creative Design and Photo /

## Video business.

### COURSE DESCRIPTION (complete overview shown on website):

**Want to join one of my Creative Design, Photo, or Video classes but are only in 3rd or 4th grade. This class is for you. Start learning now the basics of being creative. This class is a fun overview of all three of my classes which allow younger students to start leaning now with simple fun and easy to understand projects.**

### 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.

Hour 1 Over view of equipment and programs part 1  
Hour 2 Project 1  
Hour 3 Project 2  
Hour 4 Project 3  
Hour 5 Overview of equipment and programs part 2  
Hour 6 Project 4  
Hour 7 Project 5  
Hour 8 Project 6  
Hour 9 Overview of equipment and programs part 3  
Hour 10 Project 7  
Hour 11 Project 8  
Hour 12 Project 9  
Hour 13 Special drone day  
Hour 14 Picking Projects for Exhibition  
Hour 15 Project Exhibition

### COURSE OBJECTIVES AND APPROXIMATE TARGET DATES:

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

Class is split into three phases of leaning:

Weeks 1 - 5:

1. Assessing the skill level of each student.
2. Doing group assignments to test these skills

Weeks 6 - 11:

1. Using what the student has learned the first 5 weeks and applying their knowledge to create project of their own.
2. Some beginner student may continue to work on assigned lessons.

Weeks 12 - 16:

1. Students will start to review their work and decide what they want to submit for presentation.

2. Students will make ready their work for show.

## 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.

A student will be evaluated on willingness to learn. Learning the subject fast or slow is not a factor but making progress is.

Each student will submit a project(s) created in class at the end of the semester. This project should be representative of what the student has learned in class.

If students do not attend at least 80% of the classes as specified by the partnership a student will fail. Make up hours can be discussed for excused absences.

**Class-specific assessment:** discuss and include the form or a link to the form that you use.

Design Students: Over view of Adobe Program, Three initial projects to evaluate students level.

Photo Students: Overview of camera and settings, three initial project to evaluate students abilities.

Video Students: Over view of Camera, Editing Software, and Set. Then will evaluate students abilities and skill level for future projects.

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

No additional resources required

Below are useful links:

[www.Adobe.com](http://www.Adobe.com)

[www.apple.com](http://www.apple.com)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-oYkx9wyeGc6Sh8tkVlaTw>

<https://www.omnicoreagency.com/best-vlogging-cameras/>

<https://shop.usa.canon.com/shop/en/catalog>

<https://www.bhphotovideo.com>

<https://www.adorama.com>

<https://www.pcmag.com/picks/the-best-digital-cameras>

<https://shop.usa.canon.com/shop/en/catalog>

<https://www.bhphotovideo.com>

<https://www.adorama.com>

## CLASS POLICIES: ATTENDANCE, BEHAVIOR, WEATHER, ETC.

**Attendance:** Attendance will be taken at the beginning of each class. If a student needs to be absent for any reason please let me know ahead of time.

**Behavior:** Students in class must be attentive, be willing to learn, and not distract other students from learning. If a student is having trouble concentrating in this way I will talk to the parent about the problem and we will agree to a solution.

**Weather:** If Berrien Springs Public Schools are closed because of weather we will not have class as well.

**Other:** If for any reason I am unable to teach a scheduled class, that hour will be scheduled at the end of the semester.