

8th Grade Accelerated Ceramics

Peekskill Middle School

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**Congratulations on being
recommended
for accelerated ceramics!**

It is because of your hard work, talent and skill level that you exhibited from last year's ceramics class that you were recognized for the accelerated ceramics class this year.

What's different about accelerated ceramics?

In last year's class, you were introduced to advanced level projects. You explored new techniques and glazing methods. This year you will be challenged further with new techniques and higher standards. Just like last year, accelerated ceramics is a full year course taken **during your lunch period**, every other day. You will be given 10-15 minutes at the beginning of each class period to eat your lunch, and then we will begin class. You will be given time to eat your lunch; however, you are still responsible for completing your assignments on time.

Additionally, the accelerated art program at PKMS is designed so that **after 2 years you receive one high school art credit.**

Some important information to keep in mind

- This is an advanced course that only offers 14 seats so it is a privilege to be here. You do not need to be in the course if you do not want to, or if your behavior in the course chooses to remove you!
- Clay can be difficult to work with at times. Based on the school schedule and break schedule, it is extremely important that you use your time wisely in the course in order to make sure all assignments are up to date. If you are absent, you are still responsible for making sure your clay project is on schedule (I cannot spray every single clay project in the school...know your work and what needs to be done). I stay after school almost every day, use this to your advantage...come to callback!
- Because this is an advanced class, you will be given advanced work in order to challenge yourself. While each assignment will have specific requirements, you will be given the opportunity to make it your own, so **be creative!**

***Tentative Schedule of Assignments**

**(Note - This schedule and/or assignments may change at any time and students will be made aware of any changes that may occur)*

Project
1. Sgraffito Bowl
2. Set of 2
3. Lanterns
4. Cartoon Character
5. Free Clay Project

What do I expect?

- Quality work
- Creativity
- Respect for the materials, projects, peers, yourself, and teacher
- You are in class on time, here every day that class is held and you are ready to work
- Put in your best effort
- Challenge yourself
- Follow the rules

