Content Area or Department	Red Clay Consolidated School District - Visual Art
Overview:	The Red Clay Consolidated School District believes in the power of the arts to engage students, increase creativity, encourage critical thinking, collaboration, and communication. Every student in grades K-5 participates weekly in an art class. Secondary students have opportunities to take art classes that form pathways and electives toward graduation.
	Delaware has adopted the National Core Arts Standards. The standards emphasize the artistic processes of Creating, Performing, Responding, and Connecting.
Desired Outcomes:	As a result of experiencing the Red Clay Visual Arts curriculum, our students will be able to:
	 Use creative thinking, problem solving, integration with other curriculum areas, and communication of their ideas to represent real and imaginary worlds in two and three- dimensional media, by participating in art experiences.
	 Develop, through successful art activities, stronger self-concept; greater self-confidence as their skills increase in use of materials and tools; and expanded emotional development through expression of ideas and feelings.
	 Discover through art experiences how others view and express their ideas and feelings.
	 Discover areas of interest and skills that prepare students for future careers by building innovative thinking skills through both hands-on art activities and responses to great works of art.
Topics to be Covered:	Students will participate in a wide variety of two and three dimensional visual art activities utilizing a broad spectrum of materials, tools, and technology suited to their age and developmental level. The activities focus on the elements of art and principles of design encouraging students to create, present, respond, and connect to the visual arts. Topics included at each level: Exploring and developing ideas Taking inspiration from other artists
	 Creating 3 dimensional works of art Using Digital Media to create art Drawing Mixed-Media (Collage) Painting

	 Printing Use of textiles Evaluating artwork
Link to Standards:	Delaware Department of Education Delaware Arts Standards: http://www.doe.k12.de.us/artsstandards
Additional Resources:	National Core Arts Standards: http://www.nationalartsstandards.org/