

On Display: Preston High School Students' Art Work

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Art has been a part of our society since the beginning of time. This is evidenced through cave drawings, as well as artifacts found on archaeological digs. If you visit the National Gallery of Art, then you will see photographs of many ancient artifacts: <http://www.nga.gov/resources/index.shtm>.

To see art work created by local area students, all you need to do is stop by the Mississippi Bend Area Education Agency's media center. Preston High School's art teacher, Denise Larson, has spent the last year collecting art work that her students created to showcase in our media center. Please be sure to stop by to see the incredible art work produced by the talented students of Preston High School.

Art education is an essential part of every child's learning experience from preschool through high school. Often Art class is a refuge where students with special creative abilities can freely express themselves in a less-structured learning environment. Students who excel in Art class have a direct sensory awareness that allows them to creatively draw or paint. Their art work should be displayed in the halls of the school and on the walls of the library for all to admire and appreciate.

Below is a link to research on Arts Education and Graduation Rates: <http://tinyurl.com/yk9ea7l>.

The link below is a valuable resource compiling a large bank of research done on the Arts in Education: <http://tinyurl.com/ybpnph6>
If you are interested in providing student art work for the Mississippi Bend Area Education Agency's Media Center for the 2010-2011, please contact Cindy Blinkinsop at 563.344.6439 or cblinkinsop@aea9.k12.ia.us.

