

Art Room Safety Website Information

The making of art requires a lot more than crayons and paint. Some art activities are complex and require a variety of tools and materials, which varies by grade level. All materials used at the elementary level and through grade 6 are AP non-y toxic. All tools and materials used in art classes K-8 are carefully chosen, age appropriate and include necessary safety instructions from the teacher.

Students are expected to adhere to all safety instructions and rules presented by the teacher. This includes paying close attention to demonstrations, written instructions, safety labels and verbal reminders. Any intentional misuse or abuse of materials or tools can result in disciplinary action.

District 64, in compliance with the "Toxic Art Supplies in Schools Act," has amended the warehouse supply list. Teachers in the Elementary buildings do not order any tools or materials that are listed with a MIDDLE SCHOOL ONLY label.

Art Room Safety is an annual topic of discussion at one of the first Art Department Meetings of the school year. Each art room has a copy of **Safety in the Art Room, by Charles Qualley, Davis Publications**, for teacher reference. Procedures as well as resources for staff are updated regularly.