

## Welcome to the 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Photoshop Class!

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### Overview

The 7<sup>th</sup> grade Photoshop class is a 10-week introductory course (part of the Exploratory Experiential B-Wheel) that will explore the basics of Adobe Photoshop CS2—the very versatile, photo-editing software!

### Goals

During this quarter the student will:

- Learn the basic software tool functions that allow for photo retouching
- Learn the powerful layers and masks functions
- Apply fun filters to photographs
- Create digital art
- Create an animated .gif

### Requirements

- You will be submitting your digital projects to a network folder.
- You will be putting together a digital portfolio and burning your projects on CD.
- One quiz covering the toolbar shortcuts will be given.

### Materials:

- Optional but recommended: a **flash-drive** (memory stick) in case you want to take your projects home digitally.
- A **report folder** to hold your printed projects...this will be turned in to me and graded.
- **Pencil/pen**...most of the work we do will be done on the computer but you should always have this.

A **10-dollar donation (cash or check)** made payable to “**LCHS ART**”) would be greatly appreciated. This will pay for printing paper, CDs, and general computer maintenance. Thank you!

### Grading Policy

- Your grade is determined by an accumulation of points.
- **Assessment:** All work products, including class portfolio and quizzes, will go home and guided rubrics will be given to students prior to the lesson.
- **Grading Scale:** 100-93 (A); 92-90 (A-); 89-87 (B+); 86-84 (B); 83-80 (B-); 79-76 (C+); 75-72 (C); 71-68 (C-); 67-64 (D+); 63-61 (D); 60-55 (D-); 54 and below (F)
- **Late Projects** will be assessed a 10% deduction for each day it is turned in after the due date. (For example: a 10-pt. project will be reduced to a possible of 9 points if it's a day late.) If you know that you will be absent it is your responsibility to let me know before it happens. If you are ill (or some other excused absence) you will have an equal amount of days *plus one* to turn in project.) **Please see me on the day you return from an absence so we can make arrangements for you to get caught up. This is your responsibility!**

**Behavior**

- Respect your classmates and their property
- Respect your teacher who is trying to teach you.
- Be prepared and ready to learn!
- No drink or food allowed during the class period.

**To Parents:** If you have questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact me. The best way to get in touch with me is via email. However, if you would like to talk to me personally you may phone me at school or arrange a visit to the classroom. (I welcome any feedback or positive suggestions you may have that could ultimately benefit your child.) To my students: It's never a good time to discuss a grade during a class period since during that time I will be teaching and you will be learning. The best time for that is after class or before school starts.

**My Goal**

I am very excited about the creative challenges that await us this quarter. I hope your first Photoshop experience (and hopefully not your last) here at LCHS is a positive and fun one and you will want to continue this into 8th grade. My goal as your teacher is to help you achieve that experience.

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Student Signature

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Parent Signature