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# Welcome to the Hazleton Area Arts and Humanities **Program!**

The Academy is not only a wonderful place to achieve high academics, but it is a great venue by which students may best express themselves. The Arts & Humanities program not only offers a wide variety of studios, but it offers highacademic, honors' enriched courses allowing its students to experience rigorous-level classes. The academy's graduating seniors have been accepted into such post-secondary institutions as Penn State University, Kutztown University, East Stroudsburg University, Temple University, and many, many more. We are proud of the success of all our students!



## STUDIO INFORMATION

### **COMMUNICATION ARTS STUDIO**

Communication Arts is under the direction of Mr. Ringleben who has been teaching for six years. Each year, the communication studio students have participated in the *PA Renaissance Faire* where they have taken first place for photography. Students also film videos which have been played for the Hazleton Area Veteran's Day Breakfast Ceremony, as well as a Halloween horror film which was played at Christ Lutheran church. Currently, students are working on virtual projects for the school district.

### **Drama Studio**

Drama studio is under the direction of Mrs. Riedel. Each year the studio performs for various community events, including Christ Lutheran Church, and competes at the *PA Renaissance Faire*.

### **Dance Studio**

Dance studio is under the direction of Mrs.

Houseknecht who has been professionally dancing for 30 years! She teaches jazz, contemporary, lyrical, tap, hip hop, and ballet. Her students perform each year for the Cancer Telethon.

### Humanities

The Humanities studio is under the direction of Mrs. Yakubowski, who has been teaching for 15 years, and Miss Moyer, who has been teaching for 16 years. Humanities is split into two halves: philosophy and Greek Mythology. Each year the humanities studio performs at the PA Renaissance Faire in the creative writing competition where they have taken first place almost every year!

### **Instrumental Studio**

Instrumental studio is under the direction of Mr. Stefanko! His students have advanced to PMEA District, Region, State, and National level competitions. Students have performed at the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, Disney's Magic Kingdom, PA Renaissance Faire, and many local community events. Instrumental Studio advances your instrumental skills and knowledge to become performers, creators, consumers, and avid listeners of music.

### Visual Arts Studio

The Visual Arts Studio is under the direction of Mrs. Flowers and Mrs. Ward. This studio allows young artists to display their creative vision in a variety of ways. Over the last four years, the studio has guided students with improving and building upon the foundational concepts of art while developing their own unique style. Students study and create art in a variety of media, including art influenced by a variety of cultures: Greek, Egyptian, Chinese, and Native American. Similar to college-level art, projects allow for a great deal of creative freedom... promoting individuality and independent innovation, while avoiding a generic, stifled approach. Careers within art are explored, and student work is exhibited in public places and entered in competitions.



### **Vocal Studio**

Vocal Studio is under the direction of Mrs. Sharonoff who has been teaching in the music industry for over 30 years! Her students have performed at Universal Studios, FL; Fenway Park in Boston, MA; The John. F. Kennedy Library; and Walt Disney World, FL. Multiple students have placed in PMEA from Vocal Studio along with attending the National and All-Eastern Conferences. Students have performed for the Hazleton Area High School Veterans Day Ceremony, Public and Community Concerts, and many local events.