Ceramics

## Mrs. Huber

Course Description

This is a one-semester course intended to provide a basic understanding of and skills in the art of ceramics. Ceramics class will include a variety of projects using clay, and possibly one project in plaster. We will learn several techniques including hand-building, pinch and coil pots, slab, and wheel throwing.

Materials Required

1. Old shirt or apron to work in during class
2. Hand lotion (optional)

Projects

Projects will be graded on technical precision, creativity, craftsmanship, following directions, aesthetics, and perceived effort. Meaningful participation in class will be included in your grade.

Students are responsible for keeping up with the work. If you fall behind, you must schedule time during 10th period.

Wheel throwing will be done during 10th period. Each student will be expected to sign up to use the wheel during 10th period at least twice.

Classwork

Classwork will consist of maintaining equipment, sketching ideas, taking notes and completing handouts about ceramics and ceramicists.

Final Project

The last several weeks of the semester will be devoted to a final project. The final project will involve several skills and techniques learned in class.

Grading

Quarterly grading will be as follows:

80% - Projects (including turning projects in on time)\*

10% - Effort and Participation

10% - Classwork: Handouts, Sketches, etc.

The Final Project will count as a “final exam” grade, and will make up 20% of the semester grade.

\*Late projects will receive full credit if they are late due to excessive excused absences, as long as they are completed by the last kiln firing for the quarter. One project may be re-made due to breakage with no penalty. Each additional project that is redone will be marked down by 10% for every week that the final version is late beyond the original due date.