

El Modena High School Visual and Performing Arts Department

CERAMICS



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Ceramics I – An introductory class that is designed for all students and all ability levels. Students will be introduced to the three main hand building techniques, (slab construction, coil construction, and pinch techniques) as well as the potter's wheel. All projects are made from a high quality stoneware clay, which once glaze fired, is dishwasher and microwave safe. El Modena is one of only 2 schools in OUSD that offers ceramics as a course. Students will make 7 - 10 projects each semester and all projects will be theirs to keep.



Ceramics 2 – This class builds on the techniques learned in Ceramics I. This course allows the student to flex their creative muscle and more freedom to make projects based on their own ideas. Students may choose to combine or focus on one or more techniques to create their artwork. We will also be working more in sets and series of projects to help with developing their consistency. Students will be encouraged to participate in the OUSD Art Contest at the end of the school year.

Ceramics 3 / AP Studio Art 3D – Students enrolling in Ceramics 3 must have completed Ceramics 1 and 2 and be approved by the instructor. Students will be enrolled in AP Studio Art 3D and work to develop a portfolio of work based on the AP Studio Art requirements.

