

3rd GRADE VISUAL ARTS CURRICULUM
Grade Level Focus

DAILY LIFE INSPIRES ARTISTS

How does life inspire artists?

Developmental Stages

Students in grade three are developing greater control of their fine motor skills. They can separate movement hemispheres (left/right, cross axis movement). They are curious and love to learn. They can sort and organize objects and ideas, lead and follow directions. They can follow rules in a group.

In their emotional development, these children love to please. It is an age where they still feel an omnipotence, a sense of being the center of their universe, and they have a sense of urgency about their needs. They are emotionally expressive and recognize the cause and effect in their interactions. In other words, they have a growing sense of agency or empowerment. They begin to be able to critique their own artwork and that of others.