

Berrien Springs Partnership Lab Syllabus and Instructor Qualifications

LABS (CLASSES) ARE PROVIDED AS AN EDUCATIONAL SOURCE FOR PBL (PROJECT BASED LEARNING)

COMMUNITY CLASS TITLE: Prosper Arts- Cute Kawaii art

GRADE OR AGE LEVELS: Grades K-8

Maximum Students: 10 (4 students minimum per class)

FORMAT: IN-PERSON

DAY AND TIME OF THE WEEK: Wednesdays 4:00- 5:30pm starts January 28, 2026

TOTAL REQUIRED HRS: 80 percent (10 classes)

TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS POSSIBLE: 18 hours

LOCATION: 117 W Ferry St. Berrien Springs Mi. - Studio is located above the Rabbit Yarn shop. The entrance and Parking is in the back of the building near the village hall. (look for the green Prosper Arts signs)

INSTRUCTOR: *Boeun Grace Son*

CONTACT INFORMATION: Heather's Phone: 269-351-2351 (call or text)

REGISTRATION AT SITE ADDITIONAL REQUIRED? Yes - there is a waiver that will be emailed to you or you can fill it out at the first class.

INSTRUCTOR QUALIFICATIONS:

Mrs. Son graduated from Andrews University with a BFA in Illustration. She has worked as a professional illustrator and graphic designer for the past 10 years and is excited to share her expertise with young artists in the area.

Mrs. West has several years of business, teaching, and art experience. She was very excited to open the Prosper Arts Llc studio and offer creative classes to students locally.

COURSE DESCRIPTION (OVERVIEW):

This class will meet on Wednesdays 4:00- 5:30pm starting on January 28th, 2026. In this class we will learn to create Kawaii art, a style developed by Japanese artists in the 1990s. It is characterized by big eyes, bright colors, and simple designs. We will learn to use soft lines and rounded shapes to create cute characters. The idea behind kawaii drawing originally was and still is to simply make people smile and feel happy. Students will be separated into groups by age and/or skill level if needed.

SYLLABUS/OUTLINE: WEEKLY BREAKDOWN OF PROJECT-BASED LEARNING LAB ACTIVITIES:

Each week students will be given prompts to create different characters and imagery using techniques learned in class. Students will be challenged with new projects based on individual skill levels and experience. Projects will be different each semester to allow returning students to continue.

COURSE OBJECTIVES AND APPROXIMATE TARGET DATES:

By the end of the semester, students should have all projects complete. There will be an optional gallery in the Spring that students may participate in.

STUDENT ASSESSMENT - what will be used to evaluate student progress and/or end of semester pass/fail status?

- 1) Student agrees to attend at least 80% of class sessions/lessons offered. Attendance is kept online and tracked by Partnership staff. Failure to meet 80% or be on track to meet 80% may result in program discontinuation.
- 2) The Partnership Student Assessment or Performance Form is filled out by the teacher and turned in to Partnership staff. The link to this form is found on the web page for this class. Failing marks for lack of participation, behavior issues, practice time, etc. may result in program discontinuation.

Class-specific assessment:

The Partnership Student Assessment form is filled out by the teacher and turned in to the Partnership staff.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES: (online, books, video, etc.):

CLASS POLICIES: ATTENDANCE, BEHAVIOR, WEATHER, ETC.

Attendance: Students are required to attend at least 10 classes for the semester.

Please notify in advance by text if your student will be absent.

Weather: If classes are canceled due to weather, a text will be sent out at least two hours prior to class start times. Snow days will coincide with Berrien Springs Public Schools.

Behavior: Students are expected to treat others with kindness, listen, and follow instructions.

Other: Snacks will be provided during each class. We will do our best to accommodate everyone but please plan to bring a snack if your student has allergies.