

# Berrien Springs Partnership

## Lab Syllabus and Instructor Qualifications

**LABS (CLASSES) ARE PROVIDED AS AN EDUCATIONAL SOURCE FOR**

**PBL (PROJECT BASED LEARNING)**

### **COMMUNITY CLASS TITLE: Let's Clay 1**

**GRADE OR AGE LEVELS: K-12**

**Maximum Students: 15**

**FORMAT: IN-PERSON**

**DAY AND TIME OF THE WEEK:**

**HOURS POSSIBLE: 17.5**

**LOCATION:** 3579 E. Snow Rd. Berrien Springs, MI 49103 Please park at an angle on the right side of the driveway. Proceed past the right side of the two car garage to the pole barn. The classroom door is to the left of the 12 foot pole barn door.

**INSTRUCTOR:** Jill Dodge

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**ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION AT SITE REQUIRED?** NO

**INSTRUCTOR QUALIFICATIONS:** Bachelor of Science in Education

**COURSE DESCRIPTION (OVERVIEW):** Welcome beginner and experienced artists! Over the course of this 10 class semester Mrs.Dodge will help you create exciting ceramic projects and learn how to paint them with glaze, underglaze, and acrylic.

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

**ACTIVITIES** Ceramics 1

Course Outline

Week	Learn:
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<b>1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Proper care and handling of ceramic molds and greenware.</li> <li>- How to press clay to make a design</li> </ul> <p><b>Do:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Pouring Ceramic Molds (Christmas Ornaments)</li> <li>- Pasta Print Tiles</li> </ul>
<b>Week 2</b>	<p>Learn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Greenware Preparation Steps and proper handling of tools</li> <li>- Scratch and Attach Method</li> </ul> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Clean Tiles and Christmas Ornaments Projects</li> <li>- Create Pinch Pot Animal</li> </ul>
<b>Week 3</b>	<p>Learn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Scratch and Attach Method</li> <li>- Greenware Preparation Steps</li> </ul> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Clean Pinch Pot Animal Project</li> <li>- Original Clay Creation Time (Students creates their own clay item)</li> </ul>
<b>Week 4</b>	<p>Learn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Difference between greenware and bisque</li> <li>- Proper use of underglaze and care of paint brushes</li> </ul> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cleaning Pinch Pot Animal and Original Clay Creation</li> <li>- Underglaze Tile</li> </ul>
<b>Week 5</b>	<p>Learn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review Greenware Preparation Steps and proper handling of tools</li> <li>- Teacher Demonstration - How to load a kiln</li> </ul> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Clear Glaze Tile</li> <li>- Choose and Clean small and medium mold projects</li> </ul>
<b>Week 6</b>	<p>Learn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- How to load a kiln and Greenware prep</li> </ul> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Paint small mold project</li> </ul>
<b>Week 7</b>	<p>Review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Use of acrylic paint on ceramic bisque.</li> </ul> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Paint medium mold project</li> </ul>
<b>Week 8</b>	<p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Paint Original Clay Creation Project</li> </ul>
<b>Week 9</b>	<p>Learn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Proper use of acrylic paint</li> <li>- Proper care and use of paint brushes</li> </ul> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Finish painting glaze projects. All glaze painting will be finished so as to have time for firing in the kiln.</li> <li>- Paint Ornaments acrylic Painting Method</li> </ul>
<b>Week 10</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Finish painting stain projects ornaments and pinch pot animals</li> <li>- Bring a box and packing material to take home projects!</li> <li>- Children paint at different rates. Some students may be done painting all their projects and only need to stay long enough to pack their projects.</li> </ul>

### COURSE DATES:

Jan. 6, 13, 20\*, 27

Feb. 3, 10, 17\*, 24

Mar. 3, 10

### 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 POLICIES: BEHAVIOR, WEATHER, ETC.

**Attendance:** Student agrees to attend at least 80% of class sessions/lessons offered. Attendance is kept online and tracked by Partnership staff.

**Weather:** We do NOT follow the local schools when they close as our classes are in the evening. If class is canceled you will get an email and/or text notification.

### Other:

- Please plan to bring your child 5 minutes before class starts and pick up your child promptly at the end of class.
- Parents are welcome at drop off and pick up times. Special arrangements must be made to stay during class time.
- Park at an angle on the right side of the driveway. This allows everyone to come and go as needed.
- A class fee is charged if class is dropped before count day.
- When it is wet or snowing please bring dry shoes to change into for class.
- Students must be able to use the bathroom on their own.

- Students must be able to follow directions and stay on task.