

# Hello Amazing Artists!

## Cedar Wood Art Newsletter

August/September 2025 - Mrs. Versdahl



## Introductions...

Hello! If we haven't met yet, my name is **Michele Versdahl** and I am the Art Teacher at Cedar Wood Elementary. This is my 4<sup>th</sup> year teaching Art at Cedar Wood, and my 19<sup>th</sup> year teaching. I have been a part of this awesome school community for 10 years, including as a Mom of 2 previous Cedar Wood Students. Throughout the year, we will explore the **Elements of Art** and **Principles of Design** through such art mediums as **drawing, painting, printmaking, collage, fiber arts, sculpture, and clay**. I will share what we are up to in the art room, as well as other upcoming art opportunities, in this monthly art newsletter, at the beginning of each month. Please let me know if you have any questions and I look forward to seeing students back in the art room for another creatively amazing year!

## Volunteer Opportunities:

Interested in being an Art Volunteer?

Here are some upcoming opportunities...

- Starting later this fall, assist in a Kindergarten or 1<sup>st</sup> Grade art class
- Help prep materials for upcoming art projects
- Get in involved in PTA Art - Be a class Art Docent (more info to come)

**\*Important to note:** All Cedar Wood volunteers must have an up-to-date background check and volunteer application on file with the district before volunteering.

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## Art Happenings...

All classes will be learning Art Room Rules and Routines in August and September.

- **4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Students will start off the school year designing their Sketchbook covers, and then participate in a collaborative art project involving creating their own self-portraits.
- **2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:** Students will start off the school year creating their own art portfolio folder covers, and then learn about Artist Alma Thomas, before creating a collaborative art mural for the art room.
- **Kinder & 1<sup>st</sup> Grade:** Students will be working on a collaborative name art piece, and then move into exploring the first Element of Art (Line) through painting and sculpture.