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## **Introduction to Sewing and Creative Design Syllabus**

**Course Description:** This semester-long class will provide an introduction to beginning sewing techniques and fashion basics. We will learn safe use of a sewing machine, hand sewing, and design basics. Students will continue to Fashion I after successfully completing this course.

### **UCHS Behavior Expectations:**

**Unity:** Build and maintain healthy relationships.

**Respect:** Approach and respond to others with respectful speech and actions.

**On-Target:** Participate actively in class lessons and school activities.

**Above & Beyond:** Assist others in a positive manner.

**Responsibility:** Make good choices and accept consequences for your actions.

### **Classroom Expectations:**

- Obey all school rules
- Be in your seat ready to work when the bell stops ringing
- RESPECT yourself, your classmates, guests and your teacher
- Follow safety procedures at all times
- See procedures page for daily routines

**Course Objective:** Students will be able to identify and use a variety of sewing implements, practice safe sewing with accurate measuring techniques, and follow directions/patterns properly in order to achieve desired results.

### **Course Outline:** (subject to change)

#### **Unit 1: Clothing and Society**

Influences and Culture

#### **Unit 2: The Fashion World**

History, Designers & Industry

#### **Unit 3A: Basic Skills in Hand Sewing**

How to

#### **Unit 3B: Color and Designs – face mask**

The Elements of Design

#### **Unit 4: Fiber and Fabrics – decorative pillow**

Characteristics/Fabric Types

#### **Unit 6: Clothing Careers**

Success on the job / Entrepreneurship

**Instructional Methods:** The course will consist of lecture, discussion, cooperative learning, inquiry-based learning, lab work, oral presentations and guest speakers.

### **Materials Needed:**

Pen or pencil

Positive attitude!

Paper or notebook  
Charged Chromebook  
Scrap fabric for smaller projects if desired  
fabric for hand sewing projects (TBD)

**Text:** Blue Clothing book (replacement cost \$60.00 )

**Grading:** is consistent with the UCHS scale:

A – 90-100%

B – 80-89%

C – 70-79%

D – 60-69%

F – 59% or lower

**Grade distribution:**

Sewing Assignments/Quizzes/Tests: 70%

Classwork/Participation: 30%

Final Exam: 10% of final grade

**Homework and Late Work:** Class work that is not turned in at the end of the period becomes homework. However, the work will receive a 10% grade reduction each day it is late unless otherwise stated. This also applies to any assignments with a due date. Late work will not be accepted after the end of the term.

**Absences:** You have **ONE WEEK** to make up work (tests, assignments, quizzes etc.). Example: If you are out on a Monday and in class on Tuesday, you have until the following Tuesday to complete and turn in the missing work. It is your responsibility to get the missing work from me before/after school or at the beginning/end of class. Please do not ask in the middle of instruction time. This is a project based class where attendance is very important.

**Academic Integrity:** Cheating will not be tolerated and will result in an automatic zero (0) for the assignment.

**Sewing Requirements :** In order to participate in sewing, students **MUST:**

1. Pass the machine identification and safety test.
2. Be passing the class.

**Support and Resources:** I am typically available 5th and 7th hour. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns and we can sort out a meeting time.

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**Intro to Sewing/Design Student Information and Signature Page**  
**Parent(s) and/or Guardian(s) Please fill out the following information and return this page to:**

**Ms. Whitfield, FACS Teacher [SWhitfield@UCitySchools.org](mailto:SWhitfield@UCitySchools.org)**

Student Name (please print)

Home Phone Number

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**Please provide the following information below, so that I may contact you:**

Primary Parent or Guardian's Name + Relationship to Student (please print)

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Which method of contact do you prefer? (check all that apply)

email

home phone

cell phone

**I have read the class policies. My signature below indicates my understanding of these policies. I will contact the teacher if I have questions regarding grading or other policies.**

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Student Signature

Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature

Date