Textile arts and design courses create awareness of the role that textiles play in our daily lives. The textile arts and design learning outcomes develop skills, knowledge, and understanding as students participate in learning activities that allow them to express themselves through designing, producing, and evaluating finished textile projects.

Course Description

Grade 9 Textile Arts and Design explores the basic knowledge and skills required to design and create textile products. Students will explore the impact that fashion has on consumer choices and its influence on relationships. The course will introduce the student to citizenship and sustainability through knowledge, action, and projects. Students will also become aware of issues in the textile industry and their impact on the environment and people through social justice and clothing security challenges. This course also provides a brief introduction to the study of environmental design.

Career Pathways

Career pathways in textile arts and design include marketing, design, retail, production, industry, technology, arts, and education.

Goals

1. Technical and Applied Skills: The learning experiences in this goal will assist students as they develop the knowledge and skills they need to create products that support individuals, families, and communities. Students will be given the opportunity to explore their ideas through practical experiences in a safe and supportive environment.

2. Fundamentals of Design: The learning experiences in this goal will assist students as they develop the knowledge and skills they will need in the fashion and textile industries. Students will be given the opportunity to explore and use these skills, resources, and processes to create styles or products for individuals, families, and communities.

3. Citizenship and Sustainability: The learning experiences in this goal will assist students as they develop the knowledge and skills they need to become citizens who look critically at people’s quality of life—locally, nationally, and globally—with the desire to make positive changes towards a sustainable and equitable future.

4. Relationships and Influences: The learning experiences in this goal will assist students as they develop the knowledge and skills they need to build and maintain positive relationships and to understand the issues and challenges that affect individuals, families, and communities.

5. Environmental Design: The learning experiences in this goal will assist students as they develop the knowledge and skills related to the built, natural, and human environments. The study of aesthetics, environments, and technology fosters the development of skills and values to understand the complex relationships between human well-being and the places we inhabit.

6. Career Development: The learning experiences in this goal will assist students in developing the knowledge and skills necessary for effective communication, teamwork, and leadership that contribute to success in learning, life, and work.