CRITICAL INTERVENTION/PERSONAL VOICE ACTION PLAN

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THE MARRIAGE OF ART AND SCIENCE

 As early as the 1960's art programs have been challenged by the "increased emphasis on science in the elementary school" (Lembach, 1961, p. 8).



MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT ART (LEMBACH, 1961)

- I."Art is not concerned with truth"
- II. "Art is opposed to Science"
- III. "Art is not necessarily in a world of science"



HOLISTIC LEARNING & INTEGRATION

- Integrating Science and Art together can lead to better understanding of the natural world (Petty, 1985).
- Petty (1985) "I find both essential not only to wildlife study in particular, but also to grade school education as a whole" (p. 6).
- Observation drawing allows for students to improve their drawing abilities, connect with nature, and explore an inter-personal connection to the subject.

WHAT IS STEAM?

STEAM: Science, technology, engineering,

art, and math. The A in STEM integrates art and design with STEM sparking the interplay between left-brain convergent and right-brain. In a rapidly changing world, it is important that we educate global citizens who have the imagination and skills to conquer new challenges.



DESIGN THINKING AND STEAM

- The recent push for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) education introduces a design process to science classrooms, some educators have also pushed for the artistic or creative process to become part of STEM education (Bequette and Bequette, 2012, p. 40).
- Design thinking is a cyclical process that first identifies a problem and works towards creating a solution.
- Students are encouraged to test possible solutions and to rework ideas collaboratively.

Empathise	Define	Ideate	Prototype	Test
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CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVES

- The artist/scientist archetype has been around for centuries and was best known during the Renaissance. (Hunter-Doniger, 2021, p.16).
- Students agreed that artists and scientists are both researchers who need to observe and explore to make their own discoveries (p.17-18).
- The children adopted the mindset of investigators and generated deeper descriptions then they would have by simply recalling their observations or looking them up in a library" (Hunter-Doniger, 2017).







PROJECT #I: KINETIC ART/DRAWING MACHINES



PROJECT #2: HUMAN ACTIVISM POSTER





PROJECT #3 COLOR & ECOLOGICAL SYSTEMS

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