Taking a Closer Look at the Illinois Arts Learning Standard: Presenting

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What does the “NEW” Artistic Process PRESENTING look like in Illinois? Simply, students will be asked to Interpret and share artistic works. Anchor Standards #4, #5 and #6 will help us as teachers navigate the expectations of this artistic process and just like with everything in Art ... PRESENTING can be taught in many ways.

Anchor Standard #4 for 6th grade reads: Individually or collaboratively, develop a visual plan for displaying works of art, analyzing exhibit space, the needs of the viewer, and the layout of the exhibit. I've never even considered including my 6th graders in the planning and preparation of the art shows and I think my 6th graders would probably have some great advice. How could I engage my 6th graders and involve them in the art show planning? There are some variables that aren’t in my control: such as, the space, the time frame, and the amount of art that can be displayed. However, how we display the work, deciding what the viewer needs and the layout of the exhibit could be different. Walking my students through the space, discussing displaying options and asking questions on how we could better involve the viewer would be great places to start.

If you aren’t able to display student work as often as you would like or are not able to host an art show there is a great app called Artsonia. Artsonia gives you all the tools you need to create a digital record of student work for parents to view from the comfort of their homes.

Anchor Standard #6 for 8th grade reads: Analyze why and how an exhibition or collection may influence ideas, beliefs, and experiences. To successfully teach this standard, my first thought was ... “I need to take my students to an art museum, so that they can fully experience the exhibit.” That’s not possible for many of us, so how can we teach this standard?

Most museums across the world have accessibility to their collections online. The AIC has an awesome educator site, and , a fabulous collection of artifacts from around the world and many eras. Take your students on a virtual tour of any museum in the world!

These are my thoughts, I’d me curious to hear your thoughts!

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