Art Packet #27-31 (Middle School)

**#27-31: Crayon Melt Art**

For this set of packets you will be doing a crayon melt. The normal method is to line up the crayons in rainbow order and let them melt in a straight line. I want you to try to come up with a more creative design for your melt.

Example Ideas:

* Tape off areas of your board with painters tape before melting the crayons, and you will have plain space left over when you remove the tape after you are finished.
* Assemble your crayons in the shape of a star or your name before melting them.
* Draw a picture in the middle of your board before melting crayons around it.
* Don’t actually attach any crayons to your board. Instead, hold unwrapped crayons close to your board as you blow-dry them so that they splatter around randomly.

Materials:

* Box of Crayons (Crayola works the best, but you can try any brand)
* Hair Dryer
* Board (This can be a canvas, a piece of wood, a foam board, or even some cardboard)
* Hot Glue Gun (You only need this if you plan to glue your crayons to your board before melting them)

Process:

* Decide on a design for your crayon melt.
* If your design requires you to glue down your crayons, use hot glue and do that before melting them. (Hot glue will melt your crayons too, so don’t use too much)
* Take your design to an area where you can make a bit of a mess. Lay down some newspaper or old towels to protect your work area from any crayon splatters.
* Turn your hair dryer onto high, and hold it very close to your crayons without actually touching them. Hold it still over one small section at a time. It may take a few minutes before the crayons start to melt.
* Always point the hair dryer away from yourself and in the direction that you want the crayons to melt.
* Allow the entire piece to cool when finished before touching it.

I again only want you to turn in a photograph of this project. You can either print out an actual picture, or you can send me a picture through LiveGrades. Make sure I can see you in the picture with your crayon melt. Do not turn in your actual project, just turn in a picture of it.

There are hundreds of ideas online if you would like to look up more for inspiration.

  