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Dear Family of Art 7 & 8 Punahou Summer School Student,

We are pleased that our Art 7th & 8th grade class will be a part of the Punahou Summer Technology Lab School this summer. Each student in the class has the special opportunity to use digital media as a part of their summer art experience.

As a visual art teacher and artist, I will facilitate the students in their exploration of drawing and painting by using the media of watercolor paint, acrylic paint, glazes, and digital rendering to develop images or visual stories with the theme of tropical reef fish. Digital technology will allow the documentation of these explorations and enable the students to store and share their images and ideas in an individual and collaborative creative process. In addition to the 5 weeks of summer school, digital memory will allow the students to portfolio their experiments and give them the opportunity to use the images in new ways in the future.

In the classroom, a student is encouraged to imagine, read, write, and tell stories. The critical difference in this summer's 7th & 8th Grade Art experience is that a student will tell a story by beginning with the visual representation. The students will explore ways that technology can contribute to their understanding of the visual art making process and visually communicate to others how they imagine and see stories.

I look forward to seeing you at our end of summer school open house.

Sincerely,

Melissa Kim Mosher

