Opinion Letter for Free Art Time

Dear Mrs. McCourtney,

As I sat down at my table reading more history books, I thought, “Wouldn’t it be great to express what I feel artistically?” Creating should be part of every child’s daily routine. Paper, glue, markers, any medium will do. As long as children create, they can express themselves. This is a good thing for all children because we can be creative while using different techniques and mediums.

One reason for having art period is that we can have more time to be creative. I know that we are creative at other times, but art gives us a chance to really express what we feel. Whatever we feel- happiness, sadness, anger or otherwise- we can speak without having to move our lips. Being creative is important. We have to be able to express our feelings.

Another reason is that we can learn different art techniques. Some of us may use different techniques already, such as manga or pointillism. If we want to learn a technique, we can study and practice it until we get it right. Studying techniques is a good skill to learn. Especially for children who would like to become artists as a career.

A third reason is that we can learn to use different mediums correctly because different mediums are critical to learning art. We can use mediums like pencil tops to paint, or oil pastels to draw. We can also learn how to hold and use strange mediums like spray paint. Unfamiliar instruments are the key to learning art because you can hold and get used to lots of art tools. Using these would be good for children, especially young children like me.

Thank you for listening! I hope that this was educational. Art should be put into our daily routine because it is essential to teaching children. Art is also a very good way to teach children because they can become calmer while doing other work after art time. And remember, if we put art into our daily curriculum, we can have more time to be creative, learn different art skills and use different art tools.

Sincerely,

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