

Are you HEARING about the importance of Art in Education?

Once drawn on 9" x 12" card stock, students can use any combination of the following media to add color, line, and texture: watercolor, acrylic, tempera, colored pencil, colored marker, oil pastels, chalk pastels, collage, pen and ink, charcoal, and lead pencil. Use fixative for any media that easily smears.

This is the plan for a simple sketch of the ear using a 5" and a 3" circle or dairy product container covers in those sizes.

- Start by (1) either folding a 9" x 12" piece of paper vertically and horizontally, or measuring with a ruler to get center vertical and horizontal lines. Lightly trace the circles as in figure one. Also draw a light horizontal line through the center of the 5" circle. These are the general shape guidelines and they will be erased once the ear is drawn.
- Start the actual drawing of the ear (2) by drawing the outside margin of the ear. Make these lines a little darker to differentiate them from the guidelines.
- Add the new line in number (3).
- And then add the new lines that you see in number (4).
- Ask your students to look at different real ears in the classroom to see that all ears have the same general shape, but that each one is slightly different and unique. The point being that not each drawing will be the same and that's okay.

Note that the artwork must cover the entire 9" x 12" surface of the paper from edge to edge. No digital or computerized work is acceptable, unless it is part of a collage.

