

# Terry Sanford High School

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## Kenan Fellowship Mural Project for Visual Art Students

As an upper level Visual Art student, you have the distinct advantage of joining a dream team in an amazing opportunity at Terry Sanford High School to create a mural based on the past, present, and future of the Fayetteville/Cape Fear Region during the Centennial Celebration of our high school and Fayetteville's 250<sup>th</sup> birthday! As experienced art students, you have the expertise to create in-depth, artistic, and creative collaborative ideas and products for participation in this Kenan Fellowship Project through NC State University in collaboration with Terry Sanford High School and provide a mural for exhibition in both of these celebrations. What an innovative and unique occasion in which to participate with your fellow students and community in fulfilling this amazing endeavor! Here is an opportunity for you to showcase your abilities, talents and creativity by creating a mural based on the past, present, and future of the Fayetteville/Cape Fear region, concentrating on and including our city's events, celebrations, cultures, military, education, landmarks, landscape, cityscape, people, government, transportation, and religion.

In order to participate in this project, you are required to attend two field trips to gather information and knowledge by participating in relevant, hands-on research; gathering of pictorial sources through onsite sketching and photography; and interactive learning about your city, community, and region through interviews, tours, and presentations. You will, indeed, embark on a fabulous journey, in which you will communicate, connect, collaborate, and create through the infusion of Visual Art with American History, Biology, Technology, Literacy, Technology, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills, and Interdisciplinary Themes to gain a sense of the real life applications of a Visual Artist. To fulfill this real life application learning unit of study in which we plan, research, and create our mural, you will also critique your work of art along with community artists and host a presentation for the student body on the process of the mural creation and then an Art Exhibition for the community, in which you will unveil the mural and present it to the school and city of Fayetteville. The public will be invited.

It is not often that high school students are given the privilege of being involved in this type of real life application of Visual Art content knowledge; so it is with this concept in mind that I ask you to follow the Covey principle of "begin with the end in mind," and participate fully in the two required field trips. Yes, you miss some class time, but I know once our mural is complete, you will agree that this has been a "once in a lifetime opportunity!" And since the two field trips are required as part of your Visual Art class to be able to participate in this project, not only are the days excused, but you may even use an art class to make up work in a missed class if it is needed. Just talk to me about it.

This project has been endorsed by the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, by the Kenan Fellows Program in conjunction with NC State University, by Cumberland County Schools, by Fayetteville and Cumberland County governments, and by the FTS Administration.

It's great to be an FTS Visual Art Bulldog! Go Dawgs!

## **Information to make each field trip successful**

**Dress for the weather on each field trip:** It would be best to listen to the local weather the night before each field trip, but if that is not possible, please wear a light waterproof or rain jacket, comfortable clothes and walking shoes. Make sure you follow the FTS dress code as stated in the FTS Student Handbook. This dress code applies to all school functions, which also covers any school field trip.

**Materials required for each field trip:** During each trip students will be conducting onsite research which means they will need to take notes, sketch, and take pictures of informational items they are shown by our guides. Please bring along pens, pencils, a sketchbook or visual journal, and a digital camera or cell phone camera. All of these items are necessary for the student to take part in required onsite assignments to complete research which will be brought back to the classroom for application on the mural.

**Lunch:** It mentions on each field trip form for the student to bring at least \$15.00 for lunch. This should cover a range of places we may eat, either fast food or an appetizer at a restaurant. Students may also pack their own lunch and/or bring snack. However, please pack items that can be carried by the student and will not spoil as there will be no opportunity for cold storage. If a student is on free or reduced lunch and wants a lunch packed in advance by the cafeteria, please provide a note written by the parent to Mrs. Perkins and the cafeteria staff immediately so plans can be made to ensure that this student has a lunch.

**Bus:** Transportation will be provided by school activity bus. There may be at least one day that we will not have the bus with us all day long and will be walking down town from place to place. For this reason, if there are any health concerns of which Mrs. Perkins is not aware, please contact her immediately to discuss them.

**Parents:** If you would like to accompany us on these two field trips, you are invited, however, there is no room for you on the bus so you will need to drive and meet us at each location. If parents do accompany us on these trips, please understand that the paperwork already approved by Cumberland County Schools does not provide for any student to be transported in an automobile. All students must ride the bus to and from each trip. The bus will leave FTS each day 8:30am and return student to school by 3:15pm.

**Note:** The students and I are very excited about this stellar opportunity to work on the Kenan Fellow Mural Project commemorating Fayetteville's Sestercentennial along with FTS's Centennial celebrations! It is indeed an honor for our students to participate in this project. If you have any questions or want more information, please contact Mrs. Perkins at 910.484.1151, x461 or at [kellieperkins@ccs.k12.nc.us](mailto:kellieperkins@ccs.k12.nc.us).