

BLUE VALLEY DISTRICT CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION Visual Arts| High School/Jewelry I



ORGANIZING THEME/TOPIC	FOCUS STANDARDS & SKILLS
UNIT 1: INTRODUCTION TO WORKING WITH METALS Suggested projects: bracelets, bookmarks	 SKILLS Methods of cutting metal: snips, bench shears, jeweler's saw, punching pliers and blocks, drilling Methods for texturing metal: hammer texturing, roll printing, stamping, punching Creating and using jumprings
UNIT 2: COLD CONNECTIONS Suggested projects: pendants, brooches, keychains	 SKILLS Create and Use Rivets to connect multiple layers of metal together Incorporate Jump Rings, as links, to connect jewelry components together Fabricate jewelry findings, such as hook and hoop closures, S-hooks, and Bails
UNIT 3: USING THE TORCH Suggested projects: rings, pendants	 SKILLS Safety precautions specific to the torch Use the torch to anneal metal once it's work hardened Incorporate various methods for holding and securing metal in different configurations prior to soldering Apply various soldering methods (sweat, stick, chip) to connect pieces of metal together Use a ring mandrel to size and create rings
UNIT 4: SETTINGS/ MULTI-MEDIA Suggested projects: rings, pendants, earrings, bracelets	 SKILLS Tab and/or Prong setting techniques Know how to incorporate a variety of non-metal materials into a jewelry piece (i.e. stones, enamel, found objects, etc.)