Distance Learning
Fillmore Arts Center
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Self Portrait Lesson
Showing what is on the inside
This is a story about a boy with a disfigured face named August Pullman who lives in New York with his father, mother, and sister, Via. Having been homeschooled for most of his childhood, August is surprised to hear from his parents that he is enrolled for fifth grade in a local prep school called Beecher Prep.
What does it mean
Don’t judge a book by its cover?
Given what you know about the story, what do you think the book cover picture means?

What are things about you that other people don’t know just by looking at you?
Let’s listen to RJ Palacio’s story, 
We’re All Wonders
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IWOuoaaAtXGE
This week’s art lesson: Create a wonder self portrait

Wonder Self Portrait

What is a self portrait?
It is a picture that you create of yourself.
Some other Wonder Portrait examples
Let’s create a self portrait that shows what is inside you

❖ **Step 1:**
❖ Draw an outline of your face in pencil on a piece of paper. See handout for ideas on how to do your face and hair
❖ Draw big! Your face should be as big as your hand
❖ Eyes are optional!
Next Steps

Step 2: Draw over your pencil drawing in a dark color (black marker or crayon)

Step 3:
Write words around your picture that describe you. Think and decide how you want these words to be arranged. Write these words carefully and with a black marker or other

Step 4:
Keep adding words. Make them look nice!
Final Steps

Step 5: color in the face (optional)

Step 6: email me your self portrait to valerie.montana@k12.dc.gov