guide to aesthetic notes
on Notability ... and beyond!

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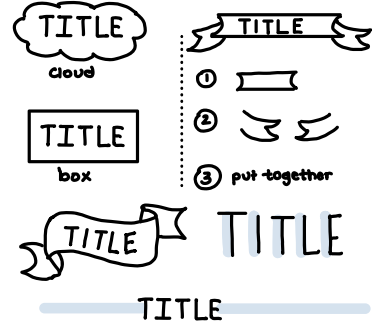## FONTS

while there are many fonts to choose from, here are my recommendations that are great for titles, subheaders, and texts.

(1) New York Extra Large
- honestly, so good for headers and titles (i.e. check mine above!)

(2) Palatino
- This is great for normal text for notes and quick jotting!

(3) Avenir
- again, a another font alternative that makes normal note-writing clean and neat!

- use text during lectures, especially when taking notes is too time consuming or prof. speaks too quickly to absorb info by writing.

headers

- there are many headers to choose from!
- some examples are in this page but here are additional examples:

TITLE — cloud

TITLE — box

TITLE (banner)

TITLE (banner)
① ▭
② ⌣⌣
③ put together

TITLE

TITLE

- obviously, these can be mix & matched so be creative!! ☺

calligraphy

- this is such a great way to make your notes fancy!
- Practice!! this is weird at first unless you practice! Here is a quick tip:

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thick downstrokes | thin upstrokes
practice to make transitions smoother

- you can download calligraphy worksheets and import to notability to practice
- make sure you use the touch sensitive writing tool

HANDWRITING

- handwriting is important - you can have pretty notes but if you can't read your handwriting, your motivation to study goes down (I experienced this first-hand, no pun intended)
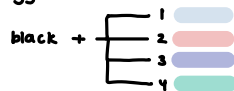
- Since handwriting is unique, I suggest practice with your own style till you can read it without any effort + goes with the way you design your notes

- if you want to change it completely, I would say watch videos of handwriting that you like, then mimic & practice.

- also worksheets are a life-saver!

Color Palettes

- it's important to establish a ✨color theme✨ when taking notes - nothing too crazy (cue to rainbow-themed notes in middle school)
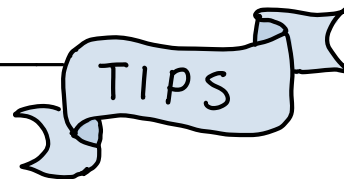
- I suggest black & a pastel color, examples:

black +
1
2
3
4

- if you are wondering, colors came from:

1
2
4
3

- use black for normal writing and your pastel color for emphasizing and highlighting.

TIPS

- if you want to do fancy notes during class/lecture, I suggest doing header before class.

- This way, you can worry about learning/ taking notes only

- afterwards, you can add any other details so you don't waste any time prettying your notes

- you are also simultaneously reviewing what you wrote so it's a win-win!!

- if you do textbook notes, it depends on how you learn + subject.

- ex: math is less note-heavy but more practice heavy while history is more note-taking heavy.