

Music Department



GOALS OF MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Each student will be able to:

- Use their God-gifted musical ability (of any skill level) in joyful worship
- ◆ Recognize, understand, and use the elements of music (meter, tempo, rhythm, melody, harmony, dynamics, timbre, and instruments) while learning to perform to their best ability
- Recognize and explore music as part of their personal expression, imagination, and culture as well as in the world around them

KINDERGARTEN

- ♦ Basic Skills: ways to use voice, steady beat, creative movement, listen, work as a group
- Rhythm: use instruments (shakers, triangles, woodblocks, finger cymbals, tone blocks, etc)
- Critical Listening: Saint-Sean's Carnival of the Animals

1st Grade

- Basic Skills: sing on pitch, beginning sol-fege, identify instrument groups and improve previous skills
- Rhythm: read & play simple rhythms with instruments
- ♦ Critical Listening: Prokovief's Peter and the Wolf



2ND GRADE

- Basic Skills: sing in canon, sol-fege scales, tempo, dynamics, identify orchestra instruments and improve previous skills
- Rhythm: read, play, and compose simple rhythms with instruments, use glockenspiels to play simple melodies
- ♦ Critical Listening: Dan Brown's Wild Symphony

3RD GRADE

- Basic Skills: sing simple harmonies, sol-fege harmony, meter, staff, identify intervals and improve previous skills
- Rhythm: read, play, and compose simple rhythms with instruments, use glockenspiels to play simple melodies
- ◆ Introduction to playing handchimes
- ◆ Music Appreciation: various pieces of Beethoven

4th GRADE

- ♦ Basic Skills: singing simple harmonies, sol-fege harmony, identify notes in chords, clefs, improve previous skills
- Rhythm: read, play, and compose more complex rhythms and melodies with instruments
- ♦ Playing handbells and learning recorders
- ♦ Music Appreciation: various pieces of Bach

5TH – 8TH GENERAL MUSIC

- Basic Music Theory: Identification of notes and keyboard, chords and intervals
- ♦ Performance Units: Drama, singing, handbells
- ♦ Music History: Baroque, Classical, Romantic & Modern periods
- ♦ Music of Other Cultures: Americas, African, European

5TH – 8TH BEGINNING BAND/CONCERT BAND

- ♦ Continue improving note and rhythm reading skills
- ♦ Group rehearsals
- ♦ Pep Band
- ♦ 2 concerts each year

CO-CURRICULAR GROUPS

- ♦ Children's Choir (Grades 1-2)
- PraisePower Choir (Grades 3-4)
- ◆ JIVE Choir (Grades 5-8)
- ♦ JuBELLate (Grades 5-8 handbell choir)
- ♦ Jazz Band (Grades 6-8 advanced skilled players)

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