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Classroom Information

Room 141
8th Period
9th Period

Course Description

6th Grade General Music is an Allied Arts course at Marie Murphy School that meets daily during either 8th or 9th period. In this course, students will focus on learning about music from countries around the world. Students will also learn music notation, composition, world drumming, and guitar.

Class Expectations

- Students are expected to be respectful—to each other, to the teacher, and to the materials and technology that we use in the music classroom. The music classroom will be a safe space for everyone to learn.
- Students are expected to be responsible. Students should arrive in class on time with all of the required materials. Repeated tardiness may result in disciplinary action. Students who are late for legitimate reasons should come to class with a pass signed by the office or another teacher.
- No food or drink other than bottled water (with a lid) are permitted in the music room. All bottled water should be kept on the floor and away from iPads, iMacs, and instruments.

Safe & Inclusive Space

The music classroom is a safe and inclusive space for all members of our school community. Students are expected to help make the classroom safe and inclusive by being respectful of everyone, in both their actions and words. Everyone has a place in the music classroom, regardless of their talents, beliefs, backgrounds, and identities.

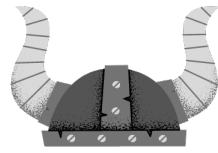
Student Incentives & Rewards

Students earn reward tickets for positive participation and behaviors demonstrated in class. After writing their name on the back of the ticket, students should place them into their grade level bucket. On teacher-selected days, tickets will be drawn in a raffle. Students whose tickets are selected may select a prize from the provided options.

Required Materials

Students are expected to bring the following materials to class every day:

- School iPad (charged)
- 6th grade binder and planner
- Pen/Pencil
- Ear Buds/Headphones
- DEAR Book



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Grading

Students' grades are broken down into the following categories and weights:

1.) Participation (20%): Students will earn a biweekly participation grade based on the rubric below.

Excellent (10 pts)	Above Average (9 pts)	Average (7-8 pts)	Substandard (5-6 pts)	Unsatisfactory (1-4 pts)
Always on time and well-prepared. Excellent attitude and participation in class. Makes excellent use of work time.	Mostly on time and well-prepared. Excellent attitude and participation in class. Makes good use of work time.	Occasionally late or unprepared. Attitude and/or participation in class is adequate.	Consistent problems which may include: tardy to class, lack of substantial positive participation, and/or little effort put into class activities.	Late, not prepared. Did not participate. Attitude and participation problems are serious and negatively affect self or others.

2.) Class Work (30%): Students will earn points on a variety of assignments/tasks completed in class and at home.

3.) Projects/Assessments (50%): Projects will be scored using rubrics which are unique to each task. Quizzes/performance assessments will be scored based on the nature of the assessment.

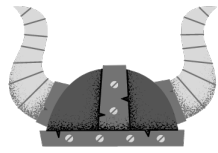
Absences, Missing Work, & Late Work

Students are responsible for missing work related to absences, whether they be for illness, an appointment away from school, orchestra/band sectionals, etc. Students are responsible for checking Google Classroom for missed work and communicating with the teacher to get caught up. Exemptions for assignments are granted on a case-by-case basis.

After submitting work that is late, please email Mr. Hammond (hammond@avoca37.org) to let him know that you have done so.



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Signature Page

Please sign below to acknowledge that you have read and understand the class description and expectations.

STUDENT FIRST NAME

STUDENT LAST NAME

Please circle your class period: 8th 9th

Parent/Guardian:

Please sign below to acknowledge that you are aware of the guidelines and expectations for General Music.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Students, please separate the pages of this document. You should keep the first page. The second page should be turned in to Mr. Hammond by Tuesday, August 30th.