

Course Description

Grade 4 Elementary General/Vocal Music

Philosophy Statement: God created the world with innumerable sounds. Since the beginning God has given music to mankind to enrich lives and to enhance man's expression of love to his Creator. The Bible gives several instances when men and women glorify and praise God through singing and the use of instruments. Through the study of and performance of music, students can focus their gifts and talents into expressions that reflect His beauty. Music is a gift from God.

Course Objective: Students will recognize and review various styles of music and music terms as well as explore various composers and their music. They will study techniques necessary to play soprano recorder. Students will demonstrate proper singing technique.

Textbooks: None

Materials:

- Various hand-outs
- Soprano recorders
- Classroom percussion instruments (non-melodic, melodic)

Time Allotment: 40 minutes once every three days

Course Content:

- The Orchestra (Review)
- Singing Voice Ranges
- Music Appreciation
- Music Theory
- Music Terminology
- Solfege, Curwin Hand-Signs and Sight Singing
- Soprano Recorder

Areas to be evaluated:

- Classroom Participation
- Recognition of various terms, composers and their works
- Recognizing and demonstrating basic note reading on soprano recorder
- Speak, read, write, and play simple rhythms
- Matching pitch with singing voice; echoing simple short rhythmic and melodic patterns

Additional activities:

- Christmas Musical
- Spring Music Program