

GENERAL MUSIC SYLLABUS

Welcome to General Music with Ms. Melms and Mr. Buhl. This syllabus is here to provide you with the information you will need to be successful in our class.

We will spend our semester together learning how to communicate musically and we will cover the musical timeline from the earliest days to today.

Here is the breakdown of our week in class:

Monday: Music Theory.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: Unit work.

Friday: Quiz and *Music Alive*.

Everything we will teach you in this class is very important, so pay close attention. You never know what may end up on our final exam.

MATERIALS

For this class you will need:

- 2-pocket folder.
- loose leaf paper.
- pencil or pen.

Make sure you have all of these materials for class EVERY DAY.

GRADING

Every grade you get in this class is based on points. Your final grade will be based on the points you have earned for each assignment or test. Throughout the semester there will be extra credit opportunities. I suggest you take advantage of them. Here are the things you will be graded on:

- Daily Sponge sheets
- Classwork
- Homework
- Projects
- Quizzes (given every Friday)
- Unit Tests
- Final Exam (10% of your final average)

MAKE UP ASSIGNMENTS

Any work you miss due to an absence will be in the absence binders in the front of the class. When you return to school, it is your responsibility to get this material and turn it in to the teacher. The work is due in as many days as you were absent.

HALL PASSES

You will receive 3 passes at the beginning of each quarter for you to use for leaving class. If you need to leave the room, you may raise your hand and wait to be called on. Once you are called on, bring me the pass, completely filled out except for my signature. Return the pass to me when you return to class.

TARDY BOOK

If you are late to class you must sign in the tardy book. Leave your pass in binder pocket. If your pass is in your planbook, sign in to the tardy book, then silently come show me your pass.

RULES

1. Follow all directions.
2. No food, drinks, gum, or candy.
3. Have all materials for class every day.
4. Maintain the integrity of all items in the classroom.
5. Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself.
6. Do not swear, tease, yell, scream, argue, put down or harass.

POSITIVES

G-Notes. These are given out for various things throughout the semester during the class period. These can be used for purchasing items from our "Classroom Incentive" list, and/or our end of the semester candy/prize raffle.

CONSEQUENCES

1. Warning (name put in behavior log)
2. Above and last out
3. Above and "X" days in isolation (X=# of level 3's)
4. Above and Parent Contact
5. Above and After School Detention
6. 1-4 and Friday Night Detention
7. Office Referral, possible removal from class

****Rule of 3:** 3 times in behavior log in 3 weeks, you will start at the un-reached level for 3 weeks.

SEVERE CLAUSE

1. Fighting
2. Extreme defiance
3. Vandalism
4. Stopping the class from functioning

LET'S HAVE A SUCCESSFUL SEMESTER...