

Choral Music Curriculum Guide Grade 7-8 2017-18

Choral Music Grades 7-8 Course Outline and Pacing Guide

Course Description

This course teaches choral music as one of the performing arts. Students are introduced to music symbols, including pitch, meter, rhythm, expression, dynamics and tempo. Students will learn the basics of performing in a choir with an emphasis on posture, tone quality and voice fundamentals.

Course Goals

- Understand the basics of producing good vocal sound.
- Develop the ability to sing melodies in unison and or two part/three part.
- Learn note reading, music vocabulary and beginning music theory.
- Participate in a performance using concert etiquette and choral expression.

Choral Music Standards

Artistic Perception

- 1.1 Read, write, and perform intervals, chordal patterns, and harmonic progressions.
- 1.2 Read, write, and perform rhythmic and melodic notation, in duple, triple, and mixed meters.
- 1.3 Transcribe simple aural examples into rhythmic notation.
- 1.4 Sight-read simple melodies in the treble clef or bass clef.

Creative Expression

- 2.1 Sing a repertoire of vocal literature representing various genres, styles, and cultures with expression, technical accuracy, tone quality, vowel shape, and articulation, written and memorized by oneself and in ensembles.
- 2.2 Sing music written in two and three parts.
- 2.4 Compose short pieces in duple and triple, and mixed meters.

Historical and Cultural Context

- 3.3 Identify and describe distinguishing characteristics of musical genres and styles from a variety of cultures.
- 3.4 Perform music from diverse genres and cultures.

Aesthetic Valuing

4.1 Use criteria to evaluate the quality and effectiveness of musical performances and compositions.

Connections, Relationships, Applications

- 5.2 Identify and describe how music functions in the media and entertainment industries.
- 5.3 Identify various careers for musicians in the entertainment industry.

Textbook and Materials

Experiencing Choral Music Intermediate 7-9 Treble, McGraw-Hill/Glencoe

Experiencing Choral Music Sight-Singing Intermediate 7-9, McGraw-Hill/Glencoe *Experiencing Choral Music* Intermediate 7-9 Mixed, McGraw-Hill/Glencoe

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	Lessons Books: Experiencing Choral Music 7-9, and Sight-Singing	Performance Objectives	VAPA Standards for Music
Weeks 1-3 <u>VOCABULARY</u> melody diction legato tone posture interval parallel	Lesson 1: <i>Red River Dances</i> pp. 2-13 Contrasting Styles Parallel Thirds Legato Diction <i>Sight-Singing</i> Text Reading Rhythms in 4/4 Meters p.2-6 Reading Rhythms in 2/4 Meter p. 61 More Concepts p. 7- 11 <u>Formative Assessments</u> Diction Check-up <i>Master</i> <i>Evaluation 6</i> Rhythm Challenge in 4/4 Meter <i>Skill Builder 27</i> <u>Summative Assessment</u> <i>Sight-Singing</i> Text Chapter 1 p. 14	Introductory Lessons: Students will perform: • Posture • Breathing • Tone production • Diction • Legato • Folk sing • Interval • Parallel thirds • 4/4 Meter • 2/4 Meter	 Artistic Perception Read and Notate Music Read, write, and perform intervals, chordal patterns, and harmonic progressions. Read, write, and perform rhythmic and melodic notation, in duple, triple, and mixed meters. Sight-read simple melodies in the treble clef or bass clef (level of difficulty: 1 on a scale of 1-6). Creative Expression Apply Vocal and Instrumental Skills Sing a repertoire of vocal literature representing various genres, styles, and cultures with expression, technical accuracy, tone quality, vowel shape and articulation, written and memorized by oneself and in ensembles (level of difficulty: 2 on a scale of 1-6). Sing music written in two and three parts. Historical and Cultural Context 3.4 Diversity of Music Perform music from diverse genres and cultures.

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Weeks 4-5 <u>VOCABULARY</u> syllabic stress counter melody dynamics vowel shapes	Lesson 2: Dona Nobis Pacem pp. 14-21 Correct Syllabic Stress Counter Melody Read Rhythmic Pattern Accuracy Write Rhythmic Pattern Accuracy Sight-Singing Text Practice Pitch and Rhythms p. 15-25 Reading Eighth Notes/Rests p. 26-27 <u>Formative Assessments</u> Teacher Master 1 Pronunciation Guide for"Dona Nobis Pacem" Teacher Master 7 Evaluating Musical Expression <u>Summative Assessment</u> Sight-Singing p. 25	Introductory Lessons: Students will perform: • Posture • Breathing • Tone production • Diction • Vowel Shapes • Counter melody • Mass • Syllabic stress • Dynamic Markings (Crescendo, decrescendo)	 Artistic Perception Read and Notate Music Read, write, and perform intervals, chordal patterns, and harmonic progressions. Read, write, and perform rhythmic and melodic notation, in duple, triple, and mixed meters. Sight-read simple melodies in the treble clef or bass clef. (level of difficulty: 1on a scale of 1-6). Creative Expression Apply Vocal and Instrumental Skills Sing a repertoire of vocal literature representing various genres, styles, and cultures with expression, technical accuracy, tone quality, vowel shape and articulation, written and memorized by oneself and in ensembles (level of difficulty: 2 on a scale of 1-6). 2.2 Sing music written in two and three parts. Historical and Cultural Context Diversity of Music 3.4 Perform music from diverse genres and cultures.

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Weeks 6-7 <u>VOCABULARY</u> culture jonglear refrain stanza harmony	Lesson 3: En Roulant Ma Boule pp. 22-29 Storytelling 6/8 Meter French-Canadian Culture 2 part singing Form Sight-Singing Text Reading Eighth Notes pp.28-38 Sight-Singing in F Major pp. 39-41, 76-77, 112-116 Formative Assessments Teacher Master 4 Pronunciation Guide for"En Roulant Ma Boule" Teacher Master 8 Evaluating Rhythmic Accuracy Summative Assessment Sight-Singing Text Chapter 3 p. 38	Introductory Lessons: Students will perform: • Song of a different Culture • Storytelling • Jonglear • Refrain • Stanza • Vowel Shapes • Syllabic stress • Dotted rhythms	 Artistic Perception Read and Notate Music1 Read, write, and perform intervals, chordal patterns, and harmonic progressions. Read, write, and perform rhythmic and melodic notation, in duple, triple, and mixed meters. Sight-read simple melodies in the treble clef or bass clef (level of difficulty: 1 on a scale of 1-6). Creative Expression Apply Vocal and Instrumental Skills Sing a repertoire of vocal literature representing various genres, styles, and cultures with expression, technical accuracy, tone quality, vowel shape and articulation, written and memorized by oneself and in ensembles (level of difficulty: 2 on a scale of 1-6). Sing music written in two and three parts. Historical and Cultural Context Diversity of Music Perform music from diverse genres and cultures.

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Weeks 8-9 VOCABULARY compound meter spiritual arrangement expression compose	Lesson 4: Shine on Me pp. 30-37 Compound meter Spiritual 2/3 part singing Expression Dynamics Sight-Singing Text Pitch and Rhythm pp. 39-56 Sight-Singing in G Major pp. 82-85, 89-90 Formative Assessments Teacher Master 6 composing sight reading in 9/8 Teacher Master 7 Meaning in "Shine on Me" Summative Assessment Sight-Singing Text, Chapter 4 p. 56	Introductory Lessons: Students will perform: • Song of a different Culture • 9/8 rhythm pattern • Composing • Arrangement • Expression • Spiritual • Dynamics	 Artistic Perception Read and Notate Music 1.1 Read, write, and perform intervals, chordal patterns, and harmonic progressions. 1.2 Read, write, and perform rhythmic and melodic notation, in duple, triple, and mixed meters. 1.3 Transcribe simple aural examples into rhythmic notation. 1.4 Sight-read simple melodies in the treble clef or bass clef (level of difficulty: 1on a scale of 1-6). Creative Expression Apply Vocal and Instrumental Skills 2.1 Sing a repertoire of vocal literature representing various genres, styles, and cultures with expression, technical accuracy, tone quality, vowel shape and articulation, written and memorized by oneself and in ensembles (level of difficulty: 2 on a scale of 1-6). 2.2 Sing music written in two and three parts. 2.4 Compose short pieces in duple and triple, and mixed meters. Historical and Cultural Context Diversity of Music 3.2 Identify and describe distinguishing characteristics of musical genres and styles from a variety of cultures. 3.3 Perform music from diverse genres and cultures.

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Weeks 10-11 <u>VOCABULARY</u> ode major scale intonation baroque form	Lesson 5: Come Ye Sons of Art pp. 38-45 Historical Periods Ode Scale Major Scale Dotted eighth and sixteenth notes Sight-Singing Text Pitch and Rhythm pp. 57-75 Sight-Singing in D Major pp. 99-102, Reading Dotted Notes pp. 45, 48, Formative Assessments Music and History 6 Characteristics of Baroque Music (1600-1750) Music and History 7 Henry Purcell, A Baroque Composer Summative Assessment Sight-Singing Text Chapter 5 p. 74	Introductory Lessons: Students will perform: • History Period/Baroque • Dotted eighth and sixteenth notes • Expression • Intonation for Octaves • Form • Repeat signs • Endings • Major Scale • Dynamics continued	 Artistic Perception Read and Notate Music Read, write, and perform intervals, chordal patterns, and harmonic progressions. Read, write, and perform rhythmic and melodic notation, in duple, triple, and mixed meters. 4 Sight-read simple melodies in the treble clef or bass clef (level of difficulty: 1 on a scale of 1-6). Creative Expression Apply Vocal and Instrumental Skills Sing a repertoire of vocal literature representing various genres, styles, and cultures with expression, technical accuracy, tone quality, vowel shape and articulation, written and memorized by oneself and in ensembles (level of difficulty: 2 on a scale of 1-6). 3.4 Perform music from diverse genres and cultures.

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Weeks 12-13 <u>VOCABULARY</u> accidentals tonality unison minor melodic	Lesson 6: <i>I Heard A Bird Sing</i> pp. 46- 53 Minor Tonality Accidentals 3/4 Meter Melodic Minor Scale <i>Sight-Singing</i> Text Reading Rhythms in ³ / ₄ Meter pp. 17-22 Sight-Singing in E Minor pp. 91-94, Reading Dotted Notes pp. 45, 48, 49 <u>Formative Assessments</u> Evaluation Master 2, Analyzing Pitch Accuracy Skill Builder 9 <i>Conducting in ³/₄ Meter</i>	Introductory Lessons: Students will perform: • Minor Tonality • Accidentals • Unison • Arranging • Form • Counter Melody • Dynamics continued	 Artistic Perception Read and Notate Music 1.1 Read, write, and perform intervals, chordal patterns, and harmonic progressions. 1.2 Read, write, and perform rhythmic and melodic notation, in duple, triple, and mixed meters. 1.3 Transcribe simple aural examples into rhythmic notation. 1.4 Sight-read simple melodies in the treble clef or bass clef (level of difficulty: 1on a scale of 1-6). Creative Expression Apply Vocal and Instrumental Skills 2.1 Sing a repertoire of vocal literature representing various genres, styles, and cultures with expression, technical accuracy, tone quality, vowel shape and articulation, written and memorized by oneself and in ensembles level of difficulty: 2 on a scale of 1-6). 2.2 Sing music written in two and three parts. 2.4 Compose short pieces in duple and triple, and mixed meters. Historical and Cultural Context Diversity of Music 3.3 Identify and describe distinguishing characteristics of musical genres and styles from a variety of cultures. 3.4 Perform music from diverse genres and cultures. Aesthetic Valuing 4.1 Use criteria to evaluate the quality and effectiveness of musical performances and compositions. Connections, Relationships, Applications 5.3 Identify various careers for musicians in the entertainment industry.

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Weeks 14-15 <u>VOCABULARY</u> phrase staggered imitation imagery aural etiquette	Lesson 8: Winter Wind pp. 62-71 imitation staggered breathing phrase Sight-Singing Text Reading Syncopation pp. 126-129 Sight-Singing in E Major pp. 188-189 Formative Assessments Teacher Master 12, The Colors in Winter Wind Evaluation Master 4 Checking Out Phrasing	Introductory Lessons: Students will perform: • Breath marks • Music imagery • Key change aural recognition • Triplets • Concert Etiquette • Shaping Phrases • Dynamics continued	 Artistic Perception Read and Notate Music 1.1 Read, write, and perform intervals, chordal patterns, and harmonic progressions. 1.2 Read, write, and perform rhythmic and melodic notation, in duple, triple, and mixed meters. 1.4 Sight-read simple melodies in the treble clef or bass clef (level of difficulty: 1on a scale of 1-6). Creative Expression Apply Vocal and Instrumental Skills 2.1 Sing a repertoire of vocal literature representing various genres, styles, and cultures with expression, technical accuracy, tone quality, vowel shape and articulation, written and memorized by oneself and in ensembles (level of difficulty: 2 on a scale of 1-6). 2.2 Sing music written in two and three parts. Historical and Cultural Context Diversity of Music 3.4 Perform music from diverse genres and cultures. Aesthetic Valuing 4.1 Use criteria to evaluate the qualities and effectiveness of musical performances and compositions.

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Weeks 16-17 <u>VOCABULARY</u> Review chap. 1-5	 Review and Assess Music Vocabulary Sight-Reading Fundamentals Choral Music Sight-Singing Text Review Chapters 1-5, pp.1-74 Chapter Evaluations Sight-Singing Text (Lessons 1-5) Summative Assessments (teacher selected assessments) 	 Review for summative assessment. Music Vocabulary chapter 1-5 Sight-reading chapter 1-5 	 Artistic Perception Read and Notate Music 1.1 Read, write, and perform intervals, chordal patterns, and harmonic progressions. 1.2 Read, write, and perform rhythmic and melodic notation, in duple, triple, and mixed meters. 1.3 Transcribe simple aural examples into rhythmic notation. 1.4 Sight-read simple melodies in the treble clef or bass clef (level of difficulty: 1on a scale of 1-6). Creative Expression Apply Vocal and Instrumental Skills 2.1 Sing a repertoire of vocal literature representing various genres, styles, and cultures with expression, technical accuracy, tone quality, vowel shape and articulation, written and memorized by oneself and in ensembles (level of difficulty: 2 on a scale of 1-6). 2.2 Sing music written in two and three parts. 2.4 Compose short pieces in duple and triple, and mixed meters. Historical and Cultural Context Diversity of Music 3.4 Perform music from diverse genres and cultures. Aesthetic Valuing 4.1 Use criteria to evaluate the quality and effectiveness of musical performances and compositions. Connections, Relationships, Applications 5.3 Identify various careers for musicians in the entertainment industry.

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Weeks 18-19 VOCABULARY polyphony canon renaissance chant	Lesson 9: Non Nobis Domine pp. 72-77 • Renaissance Period • Gregorian Chant • Polyphony • Canon • Legato Sight-Singing Text • Sight-Singing in D Major pp. 99-102 • Dotted Rhythms p.45, 48, 49 • Reading Rhythms in 4/4 Pronunciation Guide for "Non Nobis Domine" Music and History 1, Characteristics of Renaissance Music:1430-1600 Music History 2William Byrd, a Renaissance Composer <u>Formative Assessments</u> Performance Evaluations p. 76 Teacher Edition	Introductory Lessons: Students will perform: Latin text Gregorian Chant Canon Legato Polyphony Renaissance musical characteristics Dotted quarter and Eighth notes	 Artistic Perception Read and Notate Music 1.1 Read, write, and perform intervals, chordal patterns, and harmonic progressions. 1.2 Read, write, and perform rhythmic and melodic notation, in duple, triple, and mixed meters. 1.3 Transcribe simple aural examples into rhythmic notation. 1.4 Sight-read simple melodies in the treble clef or bass clef (level of difficulty: 1on a scale of 1-6). Creative Expression Apply Vocal and Instrumental Skills 2.1 Sing a repertoire of vocal literature representing various genres, styles, and cultures with expression, technical accuracy, tone quality, vowel shape and articulation, written and memorized by oneself and in ensembles (level of difficulty: 2 on a scale of 1-6). 2.2 Sing music written in two and three parts. 2.4 Compose short pieces in duple and triple, and mixed meters. Historical and Cultural Context Diversity of Music 3.4 Perform music from diverse genres and cultures. Aesthetic Valuing 4.1 Use criteria to evaluate the quality and effectiveness of musical performances and compositions. Connections, Relationships, Applications 5.3 Identify various careers for musicians in the entertainment industry.

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Weeks 20-21 <u>VOCABULARY</u> classical symphony articulation timbre lyric art song	 Lesson 10: Das Blümchen Wunderhold pp. 78-85 Classical Period lyrics symphony art song articulation Sight-Singing Text Sight-Singing in G Major pp. 82-85, 89-90 Reading Rhythms in 2/4 p. 61 Reading Eighth Notes pp. 26-27 Teaching Master 15, Pronunciation Guide for "Das Blümchen Wunderhold" Evaluation Master 4, Checking Out Phrasing Skill Builder 30, Solfege and Hand Signs Vocal Development 8. Articulation 	Introductory Lessons: Students will perform: German text Artistic expression Art song Lyrics Timbre Changing voices (male and female) Classical musical characteristics Eighth Note singing Introduction to Beethoven (1770-1827)	 Artistic Perception Read and Notate Music 1.1 Read, write, and perform intervals, chordal patterns, and harmonic progressions. 1.2 Read, write, and perform rhythmic and melodic notation, in duple, triple, and mixed meters. 1.3 Transcribe simple aural examples into rhythmic notation 1.4 Sight-read simple melodies in the treble clef or bass clef (level of difficulty: 1on a scale of 1-6). Creative Expression Apply Vocal and Instrumental Skills 2.1 Sing a repertoire of vocal literature representing various genres, styles, and cultures with expression, technical accuracy, tone quality, vowel shape and articulation, written and memorized by oneself and in ensembles (level of difficulty: 2 on a scale of 1-6). 2.2 Sing music written in two and three parts. 2.4 Compose short pieces in duple and triple, and mixed meters. Diversity of Music 3.4 Perform music from diverse genres and cultures. Aesthetic Valuing 4.1 Use criteria to evaluate the quality and effectiveness of musical performances and compositions. Connections, Relationships, Applications 5.3 Identify various careers for musicians in the entertainment industry.

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Weeks 21-22 <u>VOCABULARY</u> romantic requiem sustain jazz	 Lesson 11: Pie Jesu pp. 86-91 Romantic period Requiem Intonation phrase Sight-Singing Text Sight-Singing in G Major pp .82-85, 89-90 Reading Rhythms in 4/4 pp. 2-6 Reading Dotted Notes pp. 45, 48, 49. Teaching Master 17, Pronunciation Guide for "Pie Jesu" Music and History 16, Characteristics of Romantic Music: 1820-1900 Music and History 17, Gabriel Faure, Formative Assessments Checkpoints p.89 	Introductory Lessons: Students will learn and perform: • Phrase Expression • Sustained Style • Intonation • Phrase Shaping • Dynamics • Breath marks • Requiem • Romantic music characteristics • Intro to Vocal Jazz	 Artistic Perception Read and Notate Music Read, write, and perform intervals, chordal patterns, and harmonic progressions. Read, write, and perform rhythmic and melodic notation, in duple, triple, and mixed meters, Transcribe simple aural examples into rhythmic notation, Sight-read simple melodies in the treble clef or bass clef (level of difficulty: 1on a scale of 1-6). Creative Expression Apply Vocal and Instrumental Skills 2.1 Sing a repertoire of vocal literature representing various genres, styles, and cultures with expression, technical accuracy, tone quality, vowel shape and articulation, written and memorized by oneself and in ensembles level of difficulty: 2 on a scale of 1-6). 2.2 Sing music written in two and three parts. 2.4 Compose short pieces in duple and triple, and mixed meters. Historical and Cultural Context 3.4 Diversity of Music Perform music from diverse genres and cultures. Another Statistical performances and compositions. Connections, Relationships, Applications 5.3 Identify various careers for musicians in the entertainment industry.

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Weeks 23-24 <u>VOCABULARY</u> contemporary improvisation mixed meter duet	Lesson 12: Can You Count the Stars? pp. 92-104 Contemporary period Mixed Meter Skip-wise motion Duet Sight-Singing Text Sight-Singing in G Major pp. 82-85, 89-90 Reading Rhythms in 4/4, pp. 2-6 Reading Dotted Notes pp. 45, 48, 49. Teaching Master 17, Pronunciation Guide for "Pie Jesu" Music and History 16, Characteristics of Romantic Music: 1820-1900 Music and History 17, Gabriel Faure, a Romantic Composer Formative Assessments Checkpoints p. 89	Introductory Lessons: Students will perform: Intonation Mixed meter Skip-wise motion Duet Contemporary music characteristics Intro to Improvisation	 Artistic Perception Read and Notate Music 1.1 Read, write, and perform intervals, chordal patterns, and harmonic progressions. 1.2 Read, write, and perform rhythmic and melodic notation, in duple, triple, and mixed meters. 1.3 Transcribe simple aural examples into rhythmic notation. 1.4 Sight-read simple melodies in the treble clef or bass clef (level of difficulty: 1on a scale of 1-6). Creative Expression Apply Vocal and Instrumental Skills 2.1 Sing a repertoire of vocal literature representing various genres, styles, and cultures with expression, technical accuracy, tone quality, vowel shape and articulation, written and memorized by oneself and in ensembles (level of difficulty: 2 on a scale of 1-6). 2.2 Sing music written in two and three parts. 2.4 Compose short pieces in duple and triple, and mixed meters. Historical and Cultural Context Diversity of Music 3.4 Perform music from diverse genres and cultures. Aesthetic Valuing 4.1 Use criteria to evaluate the quality and effectiveness of musical performances and compositions. Connections, Relationships, Applications 5.3 Identify various careers for musicians in the entertainment industry.

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Weeks 25-27 <u>VOCABULARY</u> concert etiquette ensemble Review chap. 1-5	Rehearse Concert Pieces CONCERT • Concert pieces • Concert Etiquette • Final Preparations Review and Assess • Fundamentals • Sight-Singing • Music Vocabulary • Vocal Technique • Choral Technique <i>Experiencing Choral</i> <i>Music</i> Text • Review Chapter 1-5 p. 1-74 • Chapter Evaluations <i>Sight-Singing</i> Text • Chapter 1-5	 Students will perform: Demonstrate ability to sing concert pieces from memory Sing songs in small ensembles Demonstrate knowledge of concert etiquette through concert performance Sight-Sing a Do-Mi-So triad within a song or exercise with pitch accuracy Demonstrate ability to sing concert pieces from memory Demonstrate rhythm accuracy by reading, writing, speaking, tapping, and sight-singing Sing songs in small ensembles Demonstrate knowledge of concert etiquette through accuracy by reading, writing, speaking, tapping, and sight-singing Sing songs in small ensembles Demonstrate knowledge of concert performance Students will evaluate individual and group performances using music terminology 	 Artistic Perception Read and Notate Music 1.1 Read, write, and perform intervals, chordal patterns, and harmonic progressions. 1.2 Read, write, and perform rhythmic and melodic notation, in duple, triple, and mixed meters. Creative Expression Apply Vocal and Instrumental Skills 2.1. Sing a repertoire of vocal literature representing various genres, styles, and cultures with expression, technical accuracy, tone quality, vowel shape and articulation, written and memorized by oneself and in ensembles (level of difficulty: 2 on a scale of 1-6). 2.2 Sing music written in two and three parts. Historical and Cultural Context Diversity of Music 3.4 Perform music from diverse genres and cultures. Aesthetic Valuing 4.1 Use criteria to evaluate the quality and effectiveness of musical performances and compositions. Connections, Relationships, Applications 5.3 Identify various careers for musicians in the entertainment industry