

Shamokin Area Middle/High School
2019-20

GRADING POLICY: 7th GENERAL MUSIC

General Grade Breakdown per cycle:

District-Required Writing Sample: 15 points

In-class assignments: 55-65 points

Vocab Quiz: 10 points

STOMP group project: 20 points

Individual soundtrack project: 20 points

Class participation: 30 points

All students are expected to demonstrate the following:

- Participate in full in all class activities
- Apply all musical concepts and skills
- Show exemplary work and behavior at all times, including following of class rules

The following are not permitted:

- Use of a cell phone during the class period (unless teacher permission is given in conjunction with an assignment)
- Food/drink in class (other than water)
- Disrespectful behavior toward the teacher or another student
- Doing other work, talking, or otherwise not participating in class activities

This year's general music course will study elements of music: Where does sound come from? How are rhythm patterns created and written? What is music's meaning to our lives? Specific topics will include:

- Elements of music, including rhythm, expression, and timbre
- Composition using non-traditional instruments
- How music can tell a story/be significant to personal events

Feel free to contact me anytime if you have any questions or concerns about your child's music class. I look forward to working with your child this year!

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