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Visual and Performing Arts

Second Grade Music

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Course Philosophy

Music Education at the elementary level provides each student with a foundation of musical knowledge and experiences that will enable the student's future musical endeavors. Infused with Social-Emotional Learning experiences and Robbinsville Ready Skills, the General Music program at Sharon Elementary School encourages the cultivation of musicianship while strengthening the student's inter- and intrapersonal skills. Independent music-making at the elementary level promotes self-confidence and affords opportunities for leadership. Group music-making encourages cooperation and collaboration amongst peers. The elementary music program extends to the student an outlet for creative self-expression through varied activities including music performance, composition, and improvisation. Each child is given the tools to create, perform, understand, and evaluate music. These experiences will foster the student's appreciation of music now and in the years to come.

Course Description

In Second Grade Music, students are encouraged to think creatively through a variety of composition and improvisation activities. Students will work independently and cooperatively to create, refine and perform original compositions. Proper instrument use and healthy vocal techniques will be reinforced as students apply music reading to performance. Students are extended opportunities to perform vocal/instrumental music alone and in group ensembles. Standard melodic notation will be introduced, and students will learn new repertoire by reading melodies on the treble staff. Students will aurally and visually identify instruments of the orchestra and characteristics of each instrument family. Musical symbols and terminology will be introduced and applied to the performance of musical selections. Students will be encouraged to demonstrate this musical knowledge to: actively listen and thoughtfully respond to music; interpret artistic intent; offer informed and meaningful feedback to peers; and apply feedback and self-evaluation to refine their own performances. The repertoire comprises diverse cultures, genres, periods and composers to promote exposure to, and appreciation of, a wide array of music.

Core and Supplemental Instructional Materials

Core Materials	Supplemental Materials
 Quaver Chrome Music Lab GarageBand 	 <u>Music Education and SEL</u>, Scott N. Edgar <u>Responsive Classroom for Music, Art, PE and Other Special Areas</u> from Responsive Classroom <u>The New Music Therapist's Handbook</u>, Suzanne B. Hanser Music K-8 Magazine Activate! Magazine

Social Emotional Learning Connections

Below are the five core SEL Competencies as outlined by CASEL, and examples of how each may be addressed within this curriculum

Self-awareness: The ability to accurately recognize one's emotions and thoughts and their influence on behavior. This includes accurately assessing one's strengths and limitations and possessing a well-grounded sense of confidence and optimism.

Example 1: Self-evaluation of solo performance **Example 2:** Applying external feedback to refine product

Self-management: The ability to regulate one's emotions, thoughts, and behaviors effectively in different situations. This includes managing stress, controlling impulses, motivating oneself, and setting and working toward achieving personal and academic goals.

Example 1: Rehearse and present musical performance **Example 2:** Create and refine original composition

Social awareness: The ability to take the perspective of and empathize with others from diverse backgrounds and cultures, to understand social and ethical norms for behavior, and to recognize family, school, and community resources and supports.

Example 1: Study/perform a variety of music from different cultures **Example 2:** Explore the historical/cultural background of varied musicians and composers

Relationship skills: The ability to establish and maintain healthy and rewarding relationships with diverse individuals and groups. This includes communicating clearly, listening actively, cooperating, resisting inappropriate social pressure, negotiating conflict constructively, and seeking and offering help when needed.

Example 1: Cooperative learning - create/refine/present in small group **Example 2:** Practice "whole body" listening skills while others share/present/perform

Responsible decision-making: The ability to make constructive and respectful choices about personal behavior and social interactions based on consideration of ethical standards, safety concerns, social norms, the realistic evaluation of consequences of various actions, and the well-being of self and others.

Example 1: Rehearse and perform with appropriate stage behavior **Example 2:** Demonstrate appropriate vocal/instrumental dynamics in different settings

Educational Technology

Standards: 8.1.2.A.1, 8.1.2.A.3, 8.1.2.A.4

- **<u>8.1.2.A.1 Understand and use technology systems.</u>** Identify the basic features of a digital device and explain its purpose.
 - Example: Students will explore and perform using music technology including microphone, sound system and digital audio
- **<u>8.1.2.A.3 Select and use applications effectively and productively.</u>** Compare the common uses of at least two different digital applications and identify the advantages and disadvantages of using each.
 - <u>Example</u>: Students will explore, create and present music using digital applications such as Quaver, Chrome Music Lab and GarageBand.
- <u>8.1.2.A.4 Select and use applications effectively and productively.</u> Demonstrate developmentally appropriate navigation skills in virtual environments (i.e. games, museums). 8.1.P.C.1 Collaborate with peers by participating in interactive digital games or activities.
 - <u>Example</u>: Students will navigate interactive digital music applications such as Quaver, Chrome Music Lab and GarageBand to explore, create and present.

Career Ready Practices

Standards: CRP1, CRP3, CRP6

<u>CRP1</u>. Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee. Career-ready individuals understand the obligations and responsibilities of being a member of a community, and they demonstrate this understanding every day through their interactions with others. They are conscientious of the impacts of their decisions on others and the environment around them. They think about the near-term and long-term consequences of their actions and seek to act in ways that contribute to the betterment of their teams, families, community and workplace. They are reliable and consistent in going beyond the minimum expectation and in participating in activities that serve the greater good.

Example: Students will work cooperatively to rehearse and perform for an audience with consideration to the audience, setting and purpose of the performance. Students will understand and demonstrate appropriate behavior of performers and audience.

CRP3. Attend to personal health and financial well-being. Career-ready individuals understand the relationship between personal health, workplace performance and personal well-being; they act on that understanding to regularly practice healthy diet, exercise and mental health activities. Career-ready individuals also take regular action to contribute to their personal financial wellbeing, understanding that personal financial security provides the peace of mind required to contribute more fully to their own career success.

Example: Students will understand and demonstrate healthy vocal production including singers' posture, breath support and appropriate vocal placement. Students will listen and move safely and appropriately to contrasting musical selections. Students will move appropriately while performing various dance styles, choreography, freestyle and manipulative activities (e.g. scarves, balls, stuffed animals).

<u>CRP6</u>. Demonstrate creativity and innovation. Career-ready individuals regularly think of ideas that solve problems in new and different ways, and they contribute those ideas in a useful and productive manner to improve their organization. They can consider unconventional ideas and suggestions as solutions to issues, tasks or problems, and they discern which ideas and suggestions will add greatest value. They seek new methods, practices, and ideas from a variety of sources and seek to apply those ideas to their own workplace. They take action on their ideas and understand how to bring innovation to an organization.

Example: Students will work independently and in small groups to prepare original vocal/instrumental music. Students will explore and share original musical ideas as they improvise, compose, accompany and perform. Ample opportunities to share personal preferences and provide meaningful feedback with peers will promote musical and social growth.

Robbinsville Ready 21st Century Skill Integration

The following skills will be embedded throughout the curriculum and instruction of this course.

Collaborative Team Member: Robbinsville students will learn more by working together than in isolation. As educational theorist Lev Vygotsky advocated, learning is a social process. Many workplaces today encourage employees to work in teams to solicit diverse perspectives, brainstorm new ideas and/or products, and solve problems. Further, collaboration fosters interpersonal relationships, self-management skills, cooperation, and a sense of collective responsibility. Collaborative team members are able to work with diverse groups of people who hold a variety of perspectives.

Effective Communicator: Robbinsville students must be able to clearly articulate their ideas orally, in writing, and across various media in order to successfully connect to the world around them. As the world becomes increasingly globalized, communication is more than just sharing one's ideas. Effective communicators are able to communicate their convictions, actively listen and analyze others' work to identify perspective and/or potential bias.

Emotionally Intelligent Learner: Robbinsville students who are emotionally intelligent learn to be empathetic, demonstrate integrity and ethical behavior, are kind, are self-aware, willing to change, and practice self-care. They are better able to cope with the demands of the 21st century digital society and workplace because they are reliable, responsible, form stable and healthy relationships, and seek to grow personally and professionally. Emotionally intelligent people are able to manage their emotions, work effectively on teams and are leaders who can grow and help to develop others.

Informed and Involved Citizen: Robbinsville students need to be digital citizens who are civically and globally aware. The concept of what it means to be "literate" has evolved along with 21st century technological and cultural shifts. Our progressive vision of literacy entails having our students explore real world problems in the classroom. Informed and involved citizens are able to safely and accurately communicate with people all around the world and are financially, environmentally and informationally literate.

Innovative Thinker: Robbinsville students must encompass innovative thinking skills in order to be successful lifelong learners in the 21st century world. As stated by Karl Fisch and Scott McLeod in the short film Shift Happens, "We are currently preparing students for jobs that don't yet exist ... using technologies that haven't been invented ... in order to solve problems we don't even know are problems yet." Innovative thinkers are able to think analytically, solve problems critically, creatively engage in curiosity and tinkering, and demonstrate originality.

Resilient and Self-Directed Learner: Robbinsville students need to take risks and ultimately make independent and informed decisions in an ever-changing world. Author of Life, the Truth, and Being Free, Steve Maraboli stated, "Life doesn't get easier or more forgiving, we get stronger and more resilient." Self-directed scholars of the 21st century are able to set goals, initiate resolutions by seeking creative approaches, and adjust their thinking in light of difficult situations. Resilient students are able to take risks without fear of failure and overcome setbacks by utilizing experiences to confront new challenges. Resilient and self directed scholars will consistently embrace opportunities to initiate solutions and overcome obstacles.

Robbinsville Public Schools Scope, Sequence, Pacing and Assessment

Second Grade Music

				Asse	ssments	
Unit Title	Unit Understandings and Goals	Recommended Duration/ Pacing	Formative	Summative	Common Benchmark Assessments (mid-course and end of course <u>only</u>)	Alternative Assessments (projects, etc. when appropriate)
Unit #1: Moving to	Elements of music inform physical response.	3-4+ lessons	Teacher and peer feedback	Teache r feedback	Teacher feedback	Students with limited mobility
Music	Styles of music, instrumentation and dance vary around the world. Studying music and dance helps us learn about and understand the world around us.	Reinforced throughout course	Self-evaluation Small group performance rubric	Solo performance rubric Verbal/written response	Solo performance rubric Concert performance evaluation	will be provided alternate activities as needed, such as patting hands or use of manipulatives to demonstrate movements

Unit #2: Vocal Performance	Vocal music is a mode of self-expression, communication, social bonding and celebration. The purpose, context and musical elements of a song inform vocal performance. Applying established criteria and demonstrating expressive musical elements enhances vocal performance.	5-6+ lessons Reinforced throughout course	Teacher and peer feedback Self-evaluation Solo/group performance rubric	Teacher feedback Solo performance rubric	Teacher feedback Solo performance Concert performance evaluation	Students with apprehension toward solo vocal performance may choose to demonstrate vocalizations privately or through small group performance
Unit #3:	Music is created for different purposes.	3-4+ lessons	Teacher and peer	Teacher	Teacher feedback	Alternatives to
Responding to Music	Music can affect people in different ways. People	Reinforced	feedback Self-evaluation	feedback Self-evaluation	Performance rubrics	written/verbal responses include
wiusic	can have contrasting responses to the same music.	throughout course	Written/verbal	Written/verbal	Written/verbal	pictures, symbols,
			responses	responses	responses	emoji charts and
	A variety of factors (e.g. background, culture,		-	-	-	gestures.
	personal experiences) can influence music					
	preferences.					
Unit #4:	Musical instruments can be a mode of	3-4+ lessons	Teacher and peer	Teacher	Teacher feedback	Students with
Musical	self-expression, communication, and social	Reinforced	feedback	feedback	Aural/visual	limited dexterity
Instruments	bonding.	throughout course	Self-evaluation Written/verbal	Aural/visual assessment	assessment Written/verbal	may perform with modified playing
	Instruments are grouped into four families based	unoughout course	responses	Written/verbal	responses	techniques and/or
	on shared characteristics.		Solo/group	responses	Solo performance	adaptive
			performances	Solo projects	1	instruments as
	Instruments vary around the world to suit the					needed.
	purpose or style of the music.					
Unit #5:	Music is written on a set of lines and spaces (staff).	5-6+ lessons	Read notation and	Performance	Teacher feedback	Large staff visual
Staff Notation	The position of a note on the staff indicates pitch.		perform	rubric	Aural/visual	and manipulatives
	A male duis a series of nitches that may repeat	Reinforced	Rhythmic and	Note moding	assessment Written/verbal	(magnets, dry
	A melody is a series of pitches that may repeat, move up, or move down. A melody can move in	throughout course	melodic dictation,	Note reading	assessment	erase, popsicle sticks) for notation
	steps and skips.		composition	Dictation	Solo performance	and composition
	L L		T		1	activities as needed
	Harmony is created when two or more different		Solo/group	Written		
	pitches sound simultaneously, and notated by		projects	assessment		
	aligning notes vertically on the staff.					

Unit #6:	Musicians refine their work through receptiveness	5-6+ lessons	Teacher and peer	Teacher	Concert	Roles in a
Drama/	to new ideas and persistence when presented with		feedback	feedback	performance	performance will
Performance	a challenge.	Reinforced	Self-evaluation	Self-evaluation	evaluation	be assigned to best
		throughout course	Solo and group	Solo and group		showcase the
	The purpose of a performance affects musical		performances/	performances/		student's individual
	choices.		projects	projects		strengths.
						Performance
	Understanding how musical elements reflect the					accommodations
	purpose of a selection helps us make connections					as needed,
	and enhance performance.					including
						preferential seating,
						wheelchair
						accessibility,
						alternatives to
						speaking parts, dot
						spots for blocking,
						gestures and visual
						aids

Unit #1: Moving to Music

Enduring Understandings: Essential Questions:					
• Elements of music inform physical response.	 How does dancing physically represent music? 				
• Dance reflects the musical genre/style of music.					
• Popular dance styles vary in different cultures.	• What is the role of dance in different cultures?				
Interdis	sciplinary Connections				
7.1.NL.IPERS.4: React to a few procedural instructions, directions, and c	commands in classroom situations.				
Example: Students will demonstrate understanding of Italian terms for m	nusical direction, including dynamics (e.g. forte/piano) and tempo markings (e.g. presto/largo).				
6.1.2.CivicsCM.3: Explain how diversity, tolerance, fairness, and respect the	for others can contribute to individuals feeling accepted.				
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Example: Students will listen and move safely and appropriately to contrasting musical selections. Students will move appropriately while performing various dance styles, choreography, freestyle and manipulative activities (e.g. scarves, balls, stuffed animals).

Guiding / Topical Questions with Specific Standards		Content, Themes, Concepts, and Skills	Teaching Strategies	Instructional Resources and Materials	Assessment Strategies
1.3A.2	What elements of music	Aurally identify/Move to music in duple	Listen and move to music of	Selections from:	Teacher and peer
Cr1a	can be expressed through	and triple meter	contrasting meters (e.g.	<u>85 Engaging</u>	feedback
	movement?	1.	march/waltz) and compare how	Movement Activities,	
1.3A.2		Move expressively to music of varied	movement changes to match the	Phyllis S. Weikart &	Self-evaluation
Pr5c	How does dance reflect	tempi, mood, meter and dynamics	beat	Elizabeth B. Carlton	
	the meter of music?	tempi, mood, meter and dynamics			Performance rubrics
1.3A.2			Vocalize movements or speak the	Dance music from	
Pr4a	How is culture reflected	Improvise movement/develop	rhythm while performing various	varied eras and	Written/verbal
	through music and	choreography to enhance a piece of music	dance steps (e.g. Cha-Cha: "step	cultural origin	responses
1.3A.2.	dance?		step cha-cha-cha", "ta ta ti-ti ta",	(Kathakali, Sufi	_
Re9a		Perform choreography to correspond	"2 3 4-& 1")	whirling, Can-Can,	
		with the lyrics of a song		Polka, Tango, Irish	

How does the style of music affect our physical response	Describe and compare traditional dance styles of different cultures	Listen and move, then compare popular dance fads from "then and now"	step dancing, Cha-Cha)
	Explore popular dance trends in America, Explain how the movement reflects the music Demonstrate basic elements of dance styles while moving to a variety of music	Watch clips of traditional dances from around the world and compare; practice basic dance steps/gestures	Manipulatives: rhythm instruments, bouncy balls, scarves, plastic cups, yarn, elastic bands Pictures, videos, diagrams, and flashcards of various dance styles <u>Storytime Stretchers,</u> Naomi Baltuck

Unit #2: Vocal Performance

Enduring Understandings:	Essential Questions:				
• Through application of established criteria, openness to new ideas, and	• How is vocal music evaluated?				
persistence, singers can refine their performance.	• How does healthy vocal technique affect the sound produced?				
• Vocal music reflects the musical genre/style of music.	• What is the role of listening in vocal performance?				
• Vocal technique and style may vary by culture.					
Interdisciplinar	Connections				
2.1.4.A.2: Determine the relationship of personal health practices and behaviors on	an individual's body systems.				
Example: Students will demonstrate understanding of healthy vocal technique three					
7.1.NL.IPRET.1: Identify a few memorized and practiced words contained in oral	, viewed, and written chunks of language in culturally authentic materials when				
supported by visual cues such as pictures and gestures and text support such as bol	ded words, bulleted lists, and/or captions.				
Example: Supported by visual aids, gestures and choreography, students will perfo	*				
Career/Real Wor					
CRP3. Attend to personal health and financial well-being. Career-ready individuals	understand the relationship between personal health, workplace performance and				
	t, exercise and mental health activities. Career-ready individuals also take regular action				

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Example: Students will understand and demonstrate healthy vocal production including singers' posture, breath support and appropriate vocal placement.

Guiding / Topical Questions with Specific Standards		Content, Themes, Concepts, and Skills	Teaching Strategies	Instructional Resources and Materials	Assessment Strategies
1.3A.2.	How does a singer	Identify criteria to evaluate vocal	Practice vocal passages with	Selections from:	Teacher and peer
Cr2a	choose performance	performance; apply established criteria to	solfege to reinforce melody	The Book of	feedback
	repertoire?	evaluate vocal expression and accuracy		Call & Response,	
1.3A.2.	-		Compare Western solfege to	compiled by	Self-evaluation
Pr5a	How is vocal music	Perform echo and call & response songs	sargam of Indian classical music	John M. Feierabend	
	evaluated?	as leader and follower		2	Solo/group
1.3A.2			Sing the same melody with lyrics	Diez Deditos,	performances
Pr5b	How does harmony	Aurally identify unison/harmony	translated to different languages	by Jose-Luis Orozco	*
	affect the sound of a				Concert performance
1.3A.2.	song?	Perform a canon in two parts; Sing a	Respond to music with written	I Sing, You Sing,	evaluation
Cn10a		partner song/two-part harmony	evaluation/critique. Use musical	by Sally Albrecht &	
				Jay Althouse	

	What are healthy vocal	Vocalize steps, skips, leaps and octave	terms to explain personal	
1.3A.2.	practices?	with solfege syllables and hand signs	preferences	Rounds for Young
Cn11a	P		P	<u>Voices</u> from Plank
	How does singing vary	Review/Demonstrate proper vocal		Road Publishing
	by culture?	techniques including: posture, breath		0
	,	support, diction, phrasing, projection, and		Warm-Ups for
		clarity		Young Voices,
				Anne Ellsworth &
		Sing while moving and playing an		Teresa Jennings
		instrument		
				Solfege with hand
		Sing multicultural folk songs in original		signs visual aid
		language		
				Vocal sheet music
		Explore multicultural vocal performances;		with treble staff
		Describe vocal techniques practiced in		notation
		different cultures		
				Video/audio
				recordings of vocal
				performance

Unit #3: Responding to Music

Enduring Understandings:		Esse	ntial Questions:
•	• Expressive elements of music can indicate artistic intent.		What is the role of music in my world?
•	Popular music is a reflection of culture.	•	How should we respond to and evaluate unfamiliar music?
•	Musical styles and preferences evolve with time.	•	How/why does music change over time?
		•	What is the relationship between music and geography?

Interdisciplinary Connections

2.2.2.C.1: Explain the meaning of Character and how it is reflected in the thoughts, feelings, and actions of oneself and others.

Example: Students will understand the importance of appropriate audience behavior during a performance.

6.1.2.HistorySE.1: Use examples of regional folk heroes, stories, and/or songs and make inferences about how they have contributed to the development of a culture's history.

Example: Students will respond to, describe and compare a variety of music from around the world.

Career/Real World Connections

CRP1. Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee. Career-ready individuals understand the obligations and responsibilities of being a member of a community, and they demonstrate this understanding every day through their interactions with others. They are conscientious of the impacts of their decisions on others and the environment around them. They think about the near-term and long-term consequences of their actions and seek to act in ways that contribute to the betterment of their teams, families, community and workplace. They are reliable and consistent in going beyond the minimum expectation and in participating in activities that serve the greater good.

Example: Students will explore ways to respectfully communicate personal opinions with their peers.

Guiding / Topical Questions with Specific Standards		Content, Themes, Concepts, and Skills	Teaching Strategies	Instructional Resources and Materials	Assessment Strategies
1.3A.2.	How is music organized?	Identify musical form and sections of	Create gestures to reflect the form	Suggested music:	Teacher and peer
Pr5c		music (verse/chorus, ABA)	of a piece	In the Hall of the	feedback
	How can expressive		_	Mountain King (Peer	
1.3A.2.	elements of music	Aurally identify recurring themes in a	Respond to music by creating a	<u>Gynt</u>), Edvard Grieg	Self-evaluation
Pr5d	convey artistic intent?	musical selection.	visual representation: draw, paint,		
	-		sculpt Play-Doh	The Carnival	Written response
1.3A.2.	What devices can a	Describe the musical devices used to		of the Animals,	(verbal/illustrated)
Pr5e	composer implement to	achieve the imagery in a piece of program	Follow/create listening maps with	Camille Saint-Saëns	
	convey a purpose?	music	iconic representation of musical		Physical response
1.3A.2.			elements	The Entertainer,	(gestures/dancing)
Re7a				Scott Joplin	

	Demonstrate dynamic markings pp, p,	Mime playing the instruments of		Performance rubrics
1.3A.2.	mp, mf, f, ff, crescendo, decrescendo	the orchestra	Suggested	
Re7b			composers:	
	Identify major versus minor	Take turns leading the class as the	Vivaldi, Mozart,	
1.3A.2.		conductor	Beethoven, Haydn	
Cn10a	Compare various genres of American		Saint-Saëns,	
	music and describe characteristics of each	Listen and respond to movements	Tchaikovsky, Grieg	
1.3A.2.	genre (ragtime, jazz, rock, country, pop)	from The Carnival of the Animals:	Rimsky-Korsakov,	
Cn11a		move to the music, accompany	Sousa, Debussy,	
	Describe the role of patriotic music in	with instruments, create a visual	Dukas, Joplin,	
	America	representation; Describe the	Cohan	
		musical devices that enhance the	Prokofiev, Williams,	
	Explore and describe the music of	imagery	Marsalis	
	different composers/eras			
	-	Learn the purpose of music		
	Explore and describe traditional music of	compositions by learning about the		
	different cultures	era, composer background and		
		historical context		

Unit #4: Musical Instruments

Enduri	ng Understandings:		Essential Questions:		
•	Orchestration can emphasize	e artistic intent.	• How is instrumental music evaluated?		
• A composer selects instruments and determines the role of each (e.g.			• How can learning an instrum	nent enhance self-discip	line?
melody, harmony, rhythm) through orchestration.			• How does solo instrumental	l performance compare	to ensemble
• The role of an instrument may vary throughout a piece of music.			performance?		
		Interdisciplinary	Connections		
2.5. P .A	.3 Use objects and props to d	levelop spatial and coordination skills (e.g., thro	ows and catches balls and Frisbees, twi	rls a hula-hoop about th	e hips, walks a balance
	aces different sized beads, and			*	*
		rdination skills as they refine playing technique	on various musical instruments.		
6.1.2.H	istoryCC.2: Use a timeline o	f important events to make inferences about the	e "big picture" of history.		
Examp	le: Students will explore the	origin of familiar instruments and describe how	instruments have transformed over tim	me.	
		Career/Real Worl	d Connections		
CRP6.	Demonstrate creativity and ir	novation. Career-ready individuals regularly thi	ink of ideas that solve problems in new	and different ways, and	l they contribute
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Unit #5: Staff Notation

Enduring Understandings:			Essential Questions:		
• Music notation serves various purposes (documentation, distribution,			• Why is music notated?		
publication, posterity)			• How does staff notation rep	present sound?	
• Music is written on a set of lines and spaces (staff). The position of a			• How can music literacy facil		music-making?
note on the staff indicates pitch.					0
•		es that may repeat, move up, or move down.			
A melo	dy can move in steps and skip				
		Interdisciplinary	Connections		
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8.1.2.A	P.5: Describe a program's sec	juence of events, goals, and expected outcomes			
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CRP6	Demonstrate creativity and in	novation. Career-ready individuals regularly thi	nk of ideas that solve problems in new	and different ways, and	they contribute
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How is a melody notated	Describe and demonstrate tempo and	Speak Italian terms for dynamics	Notespeller Stories	Performance rubrics
on the staff?	dynamics with musical terms	with appropriate dynamic level	& Games Around	
			the World,	
How is harmony notated	Label notes on the staff with musical	Sing and move to musical concept	Karen Harrington	
on the staff?	alphabet	songs		
	-		Sing a Song of	
	Identify steps vs. skips and melody vs.	Use mnemonics to reinforce staff	Musical Concepts,	
	harmony on the staff	lines and spaces	Teresa Jennings &	
			John Riggio	
	Identify and explain the function of music			
	symbols: treble clef, repeat sign, fermata,		Manipulatives: dry	
	bar lines, double bar line, time signature		erase/magnetic staff	
			boards, bingo chips,	
	Identify the form of a piece of music		musical alphabet	
	notated on the staff (verse/chorus, ABA)		magnets, melody	
			flashcards, solfege	
	Analyze the expressive elements of a piece		chart, note-spelling	
	music notated on the staff		cards	
	Read and perform basic melodies on the			
	treble staff using singing voice/pitched			
	percussion			

Unit #6: Drama/Performance

Enduring Understandings:	Essential Questions:			
 Music is performed for many reasons, including self-expression, 	 How does performing music enhance social skills? 			
entertainment, social connections, storytelling, celebrations, and cultural and	 When is music ready to be performed? 			
. 0	 Is a "perfect" performance achievable? Why/why not? 			
religious traditions.				
• The purpose of a performance affects musical choices.	• What is the role of a conductor in a performance?			
• A performer can apply feedback and self-reflection to refine a				
performance.				
Interdisciplinary	Connections			
6.1.2.CivicsCM.2: Use examples from a variety of sources to describe how certain characteristics can help individuals collaborate and solve problems (e.g.,				
open-mindedness, compassion, civility, persistence)				
Example: Students will provide meaningful feedback to peer performances. With co	onsideration to the performer, students will respectfully communicate personal			
opinions, supported by musical understanding, to assist the performer in refining the				
8.1.2.IC.1: Compare how individuals live and work before and after the implementat	tion of new computing technology.			
Example: Students will describe the role of modern technology in creating, perform	ing, and sharing music.			
Career/Real World	d Connections			
CRP1. Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee. Career-ready individuals understand the obligations and responsibilities of being a member of a				
community, and they demonstrate this understanding every day through their interactions with others. They are conscientious of the impacts of their decisions on others				
and the environment around them. They think about the near-term and long-term co	onsequences of their actions and seek to act in ways that contribute to the betterment			
of their teams, families, community and workplace. They are reliable and consistent i	in going beyond the minimum expectation and in participating in activities that serve			
the greater good.				
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Example: Students will work cooperatively to rehearse and perform for an audience with consideration to the audience, setting and purpose of the performance. Students will understand and demonstrate appropriate behavior of performers and audience.

	ing / Topical Questions th Specific Standards	Content, Themes, Concepts, and Skills	Teaching Strategies	Instructional Resources and Materials	Assessment Strategies
1.3A.2.	How does a performer	Demonstrate expression in vocal music	Incorporate routine solo and small	Breathe Like a Bear,	Teacher and peer
Cr3a	prepare before	with phrasing and dynamics	group performance opportunities	Kira Willey	feedback
	presenting to an		to promote confidence in		
1.3A.2.	audience?	Describe the role of a conductor; follow	performance	Storytime Stretchers,	Self-evaluation
Cr3b		conducting gestures in choral		Naomi Baltuck	
		performance (entrances/cut-offs,	Experiment with expression in		Performance rubrics
			echo and call & response songs		

1.3A.2.	When is a piece ready for	dynamics, expression, tempo (steady		The Book of Call &	Concert performance
Pr4a	performance?	beat), breathing	Role-play scenarios to emphasize	<u>Response</u> ,	evaluation
Pr4a 1.3A.2. Pr6a 1.3A.2. Pr6b	What do the gestures of a conductor indicate? How can we use feedback and self-evaluation to refine our work? How can feedback be	beat), breathing Demonstrate proper vocal technique, rhythmic/melodic accuracy, expression, and appropriate performance behavior Describe the different emotions a performer might experience when performing for an audience; identify ways of coping with performance anxiety	Kole-play scenarios to emphasize the importance of respectfully communicating personal opinions Compose and perform alternate lyrics/verses to a familiar song; present to class Provide prompts/charts/rubrics as a tool for self-evaluation	Kesponse, compiled by John M. Feierabend <u>I Sing, You Sing,</u> Sally Albrecht & Jay Althouse	evaluation
	communicated respectfully?	Explain how meaningful feedback can help performers refine their work Evaluate and provide meaningful			
		feedback to peer performances supported			
		by musical understanding			
		Self-reflect on personal performance			
		Accept and apply teacher and peer			
		feedback to refine a personal performance			

General Differentiated Instruction Strategies				
 Leveled texts Chunking texts Choice board Socratic Seminar Tiered Instruction Small group instruction Guided Reading Sentence starters/frames 	 Repeat, reword directions Brain breaks and movement breaks Brief and concrete directions Checklists for tasks Graphic organizers Assistive technology (spell check, voice to type) Study guides Tiered learning stations 			
 Writing scaffolds Tangible items/pictures Adjust length of assignment 	 Tiered questioning Data-driven student partnerships Extra time 			

Time/General	Processing	Comprehension	Recall
Extra time for assigned tasks Adjust length of assignment Timeline with due dates for reports and projects Communication system between home and school Provide lecture notes/outline	 Extra Response time Have students verbalize steps Repeat, clarify or reword directions Mini-breaks between tasks Provide a warning for transitions Reading partners 	 Precise step-by-step directions Short manageable tasks Brief and concrete directions Provide immediate feedback Small group instruction Emphasize multi-sensory learning 	 Teacher-made checklis Use visual graphic organizers Reference resources to promote independence Visual and verbal reminders Graphic organizers

Assistive Technology	Assessments and Grading	Behavior/Attention	Organization
 Computer/whiteboard Tape recorder Spell-checker Audio-taped books 	Extended timeStudy guidesShortened testsRead directions aloud	 Consistent daily structured routine Simple and clear classroom rules Frequent feedback 	 Individual daily planner Display a written agenda Note-taking assistance Color code materials

Enrichment

The goal of Enrichment is to provide learners with the opportunity to participate in extension activities that are differentiated and enhance the curriculum. All enrichment decisions will be based upon individual student needs.

- Show a high degree of intellectual, creative and/or artistic ability and demonstrate this ability in multiple ways.
- Pose questions and exhibit sincere curiosity about principles and how things work.
- The ability to grasp concepts and make real world and cross-curricular connections.
- Generate theories and hypotheses and pursue methods of inquiry.
- Produce products that express insight, creativity, and excellence.
- Possess exceptional leadership skills.
- Evaluate vocabulary
- Elevate Text Complexity
- Inquiry based assignments and projects
- Independent student options
- Tiered/Multi-level activities
- Purposeful Learning Center
- Open-ended activities and projects
- Form and build on learning communities
- Providing pupils with experiences outside the 'regular' curriculum
- Altering the pace the student uses to cover regular curriculum in order to explore topics of interest in greater depth/breadth within their own grade level
- A higher quality of work than the norm for the given age group.
- The promotion of a higher level of thinking and making connections.
- The inclusion of additional subject areas and/or activities (cross-curricular).

• Using supplementary materials in addition to the normal range of resources.

English Language Learner (ELL) Resources

- Learning style quiz for students- http://www.educationplanner.org/students/self-assessments/learning-styles-quiz.shtml
- "Word clouds" from text that you provide-http://www.wordle.net/
- Bilingual website for students, parents and educators: http://www.colorincolorado.org/
- Learn a language for FREE-www.Duolingo.com
- Time on task for students-http://www.online-stopwatch.com/
- Differentiation activities for students based on their Lexile-www.Mobymax.com
- WIDA-http://www.wida.us/
- Everything ESL http://www.everythingESL.net
- ELL Tool Box Suggestion Site http://www.wallwisher.com/wall/elltoolbox
- Hope4Education http://www.hope4education.com
- Learning the Language http://blogs.edweek.org/edweek/learning-the-language/
- FLENJ (Foreign Language Educators of NJ) 'E-Verse' wiki: http://www.flenj.org/Publications/?page=135
- OELA http://www.ed.gov/offices/OBEMLA
- New Jersey Department of Education-Bilingual Education information http://www.state.nj.us/education/bilingual/

Special Education Resources

- Animoto -Animoto provides tools for making videos by using animation to pull together a series of images and combining with audio. Animoto videos or presentations are easy to publish and share. https://animoto.com
- Bookbuilder -Use this site to create, share, publish, and read digital books that engage and support diverse learners according to their individual needs, interests, and skills. http://bookbuilder.cast.org/
- CAST -CAST is a non-profit research and development organization dedicated to Universal Design for Learning (UDL). UDL research demonstrates that the challenge of diversity can and must be met by making curriculum flexible and responsive to learner differences. http://www.cast.org
- CoSketch -CoSketch is a multi-user online whiteboard designed to give you the ability to quickly visualize and share your ideas as images. http://www.cosketch.com/
- Crayon -The Crayon.net site offers an electronic template for students to create their own newspapers. The site allows you to bring multiple

sources together, thus creating an individualized and customized newspaper. http://crayon.net/ Education Oasis -Education Oasis offers a collection of graphic organizers to help students organize and retain knowledge – cause and effect, character and story, compare and contrast, and more! http://www.educationoasis.com/printables/graphic-organizers/

- Edutopia -A comprehensive website and online community that increases knowledge, sharing, and adoption of what works in K-12 education. We emphasize core strategies: project-based learning, comprehensive assessment, integrated studies, social and emotional learning, educational leadership and teacher development, and technology integration. <u>http://www.edutopia.org/</u>
- Glogster -Glogster allows you to create "interactive posters" to communicate ideas. Students can embed media links, sound, and video, and then share their posters with friends. http://edu.glogster.com/?ref=personal
- Interactives Elements of a Story -This interactive breaks down the important elements of a story. Students go through the series of steps for constructing a story including: Setting, Characters, Sequence, Exposition, Conflict, Climax, and Resolution. http://www.learner.org/interactives/story/index.html
- National Writing Project (NWP) -Unique in breadth and scale, the NWP is a network of sites anchored at colleges and universities and serving teachers across disciplines and at all levels, early childhood through university. We provide professional development, develop resources, generate research, and act on knowledge to improve the teaching of writing and learning in schools and communities. http://www.nwp.org
- Pacecar -Vocab Ahead offers videos that give an active demonstration of vocabulary with audio repeating the pronunciation, definition, various uses, and synonyms. Students can also go through flash cards which give a written definition and visual representation of the word. http://pacecar.missingmethod.com/