



GENERAL MUSIC SYLLABUS

MRS. VAUGHAN



COURSE DESCRIPTION

This General Music class is designed to help you experiment and discover music in many new and different ways. This is a kinesthetic, participation-based class with lessons that incorporates activities for all types of learners at all different levels of musicianship!

Topics we will explore include reading, playing, and creating music, as well as music history, music genres, music technology, and analyzing music.

MATERIALS NEEDED EVERY DAY

PENCIL, Paper, something to keep your work in (folder or binder)

ASSESSMENT

You are constantly being assessed. Your mastery is shown through performance (musically or verbally), discussion, written & musical composition, attention, and participation.

You must give 100% to get the most out of this class.

Grades you will receive: Project Grades, whole class activities, turn-in assignments, unit quizzes or tests. A Weekly Participation Grade is also given. (the average of each daily grade = weekly Participation Grade)

GENERAL EXPECTATIONS OF STUDENTS

Respect Each Other

Respect the Teacher

Respect the Room/Equipment/Instruments

Respect Yourself

Sacred Music: It is the position of MENC: The National Association for Music Education that the study and performance of religious music **within an educational context** is a vital and appropriate part of a comprehensive music education. The omission of sacred music from the school curriculum would result in an incomplete educational experience. This mostly involves chorus literature, but could include some classical listening lessons.

*If you have special circumstances with assignments or curriculum topics, please make your request to me in writing and an alternative assignment and/or materials will be provided.

MY CONTACT INFO

The best way that I am able to communicate with the parents is through email.

In order to give timely feedback, I will update grades into Aspen at least once a week.

Feel free to email me if you have a question!

Susie Vaughan susie.vaughan@knoxschools.org (6th & 7th gr. General Music Teacher)



WELCOME TO GENERAL MUSIC!

Parents/Guardians – please read & discuss the General Music syllabus with your child, sign at the bottom of this page, and return just this back page by Monday, August 15th.
This class does not have class fees, but it is important that all parents and students are aware of the expectations and requirements of this class.

Returning this form is your child's first assignment.

This signed form, a pencil, notebook paper in a folder/binder is required by the second week of this class.

✓ Food, drinks (excluding water), and gum will not be permitted in the general music room. Cell phones can NOT be out during class without teacher permission. I will remind students of this as needed and will follow up with a write-up if it becomes a problem.

✓ Students are required to have a PENCIL every day.

✓ Classroom expectations: Be respectful!

✓ Consequences for consistent misbehavior include:

Loss of privileges in classroom, minor's log, parent email, parent call, office referral

Students - I have read and understand the classroom rules, expectations, and consequences for this General Music class.

Student Signature

Class

Parents – I have read the General Music syllabus and understand the expectations set forth for my child.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Phone Number