

PARK RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

PIANO 1

2021-2022



*“To play a wrong note is insignificant. To play without passion is inexcusable.”
-Ludwig van Beethoven*

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

Piano 1 is a beginner piano course that will focus on the basics of playing the instrument. The main goals of the course are to develop students' technical skills in performing and reading music literacy. Students will be expected to prepare repertoire for assessments and for a group recital, through which they will discover effective rehearsal strategies and how those procedures relate to performance and growth.

COURSE MATERIALS

Students must bring the following items to class:

- Laptop
- ½ inch 3-Ring Binder
- Pencil

Students will be provided with:

- Piano Packets
- 66-Key Keyboard
- Headphones (for keyboards)
- Wipes

TECHNOLOGY AND RESOURCES

- Schoology
- MusicTheory.net

ASSESSMENT

Students will be assessed based on the following:

- Class Recital
 - Performance-based
- Quizzes & Tests
 - Performance (live or recorded)
 - Written
- Classwork & Homework
 - Practice Repertoire
 - Music Theory
- Participation
 - Classroom discussion
 - Turn in assignments
 - Preparation
 - Hard Work & Effort

PROCEDURES AND EXPECTATIONS

In addition to the school-wide policies outlined in the student handbook and/or provided by PRHS administration, please observe the following guidelines:

- **Take care of the equipment, materials, and space.** After using the keyboard lab, keyboards must be turned off and headphones hung up properly at the end of class. Students are expected to keep all keyboard stands and bench end caps attached to the equipment. When erasing, students should blow the eraser shavings away from the keyboards to avoid damaging the keys and speakers. Students will be held financially responsible for causing any damage to the equipment. Students should throw away any trash to ensure that nothing is left behind where they were sitting. **Only water bottles with lids will be permitted in class.**
- **Keyboards must be gently wiped with disinfection wipes before and after use.** Please keep the space clean and safe for everyone.
- **Complete all hand-written assignments in pencil.** Anything completed in pen or any other writing utensil will not be accepted - NO exceptions.
- **Submit work on time.** Late assignments will receive a 10% deduction per school day. If a missing assignment is submitted after a grade has been inputted, students should send an email to Ms. Park and include the week of the folder. Assignments that have already been reviewed in class will not be accepted.
- **Be proactive about missed instruction.** In the event of an absence, it is the student's responsibility to make up any assignments, to submit any work that was collected, to review any content that was covered, and to schedule any make-up assessments.

- **Stay organized.** Students should keep all materials organized in a three-ring binder with pages numbered accordingly.
- **Seek help when needed.** If you are struggling with a particular concept, need further clarification on a lesson, need additional practice resources, etc., please do not hesitate to reach out to Ms. Park.
- **Demonstrate integrity.** Students must not use any materials or resources that are not permitted for an assignment or assessment, as well as pass off anyone else's work as their own.
- **Treat everyone in our class with kindness, compassion, and respect.** This means yourself, too!