



Music Theory I

Insert Teacher Name

Insert Room Number

Semester

Insert Period

Insert Email Address

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Music Theory I is open to all students in grades 10-12 who have a basic knowledge of music notation and fundamental music literacy concepts and wish to develop skills in music theory. It is appropriate for students in band, orchestra and choir, as well as students not enrolled in a performing group who are interested in music theory. Students will study elements of music theory including notation, scales, rhythm, solfege, ear training, form and Roman Numeral Analysis, and will explore the fundamentals of harmonic structure, chords and melody by way of the four artistic processes: creating, performing, responding and connecting. Students will use computer software programs to develop and enhance their music literacy skills and to create musical compositions. This is a one semester course that meets twice per four day rotation and is the prerequisite for Music Theory II: Elements of Composing and Arranging.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Students will:

- Play scales and simple melodies in both treble and bass clef on the keyboard.
- Create and compose using traditional elements of harmony.
- Read and notate music.
- Listen to, analyze, interpret, and evaluate music.
- Understand relationships between music history, cultures and other academic and artistic disciplines.

UNITS OF STUDY

- Western Music: Comparison, Notation, History, Basic Keyboard Skills
- Scales, Tonality, Key Signatures
- Intervals & Transposition
- Chords
- Cadences & Non-Harmonic Tones

COURSE POLICIES AND REQUIREMENTS

GRADING

Cumulative/In-Progress Grade:

- 10% of the grade will be based on formative assessments, homework completion, or behavior (see FPS BOE [Policy 6154AR](#))
- 90% will be based on summative assessments based on a minimum of four assessments (see FPS BOE Policy 6146AR)

End-of-the-Year Grade:

- 80% of the overall course grade will reflect the student's mastery of course content and skills during the school year through the Cumulative/In-Progress Grade.
- 10% of the End-of-the-Year course grade will be based on the Mid-Year Assessment
- 10% of the End-of-the-Year course grade will be based on the Final Assessment.

Grade Reporting

- All grades will be communicated through Infinite Campus
- Summative assessment results will be reported back to the student within ten school days from the date of submission or the due date.

Guidelines for Late Work (see FPS BOE Policy 6146AR):

- Late work will be accepted for both summative and formative tasks within a defined timeline agreed upon between the student and the teacher
- The total points may be reduced as a penalty for late work

MATERIALS:

Insert Course Materials Here (ie. Textbook, Binder, Calculator, Highlighters)

EXPECTATIONS OF STUDENTS:

EXTRA HELP:

Insert Course Expectations Here