Course Overview

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DESCRIPTION

K-12 Content Area | Mission & Philosophy Statement

- SVSD learners will emerge from the K-12 music program as proficient readers, writers, creators, and analyzers of music resulting in a strong foundation for future musical endeavors.
- Students will develop comprehensive musical knowledge and appreciation through diverse, in-depth musical experiences blending theory, history, technology, and ensemble participation creating an understanding of music in a globalized world.
- Participation in these diverse musical experiences will also bolster learners' self-discipline, collaborative abilities, empathy, and leadership–all qualities that will enhance their capacity for success in future occupational, social and creative pursuits.
- Graduates of the SVSD music program will depart with a lifelong love and appreciation for music resulting in continued musical exploration beyond their formal K-12 education.

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In first grade, learners will build upon the concepts of opposites/contrasts by exploring melodic direction, tempo changes, dynamic levels, instrument timbres, and mood. Learners will begin to develop ensemble techniques as they sing and play instruments together as a class. Learners will also be able to classify instruments by their families and other characteristics. First graders will be able to discriminate between phrases and/or other rhythmic and melodic patterns that are same and different. Finally, learners will add to their growing musical vocabulary by applying concepts they have learned to rhythmic and melodic contexts.

This course will prepare young musicians with the skills they need to a) participate in vocal and instrumental ensembles, b) critically evaluate the music they hear, c) utilize formal musical notation to notate, read and share musical ideas, d) improvise, and e) understand the ways music plays a role in multiple academic and artistic disciplines as well as contributes to the overall human experience.

STANDARDS

Pennsylvania - Grades K-3 - Music

9.4:	9.3:	9.2:	9.1:

COURSE OBJECTIVES

The specific objectives for this course are aligned with the Pennsylvania Academic Standards for Arts and Humanities.

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ASSESSMENT TYPES

Forms of Assessment to Measure Course Objectives:

- Formative Assessments
- Observation
- Performance Assessments
- Self-Assessments

SUGGESTED METHODS OF INSTRUCTION

Below is a list of suggested strategies for high-quality instruction in Fine Arts:

- Instructional Components outlined in *The Framework for Teachin*g by Charlotte Danielson

RESOURCES

District Approved Program Resources	District Approved Supplemental Resources	District Approved Technology Resources
Music Expressions Grade 1 Curriculum (CDs, DVDs, Big Book and manipulatives)	• *Peter and the Wolf* CD • Website resources • Masks • Online clips that showcase musical concepts • Classroom pitched and non-pitched percussion instruments • Individual student whiteboards & markers • Children's literature that showcases musical content (e.g.,Peter and the Wolf, Buzz and Ollie's HIGH/LOW Adventure, Yankee Doodle, etc.)	**This curriculum was created before we had access to technology resources.