## Course Overview

### Course Goals
Students will have the ability to understand and engage with music in a number of different ways, including the **creative**, **responsive** and **performative** artistic processes. They will have the ability to perform music in a manner that illustrates careful preparation and reflects an understanding and interpretation of the selection. They will be musically literate.

Students will be artistically literate: they will have the knowledge and understanding required to participate authentically in the arts. They will have the ability to transfer arts knowledge, skills, experiences and capacities and make **connections** to other subjects and settings to promote and enhance lifelong learning.

### Artistic Processes
- Create
- Perform
- Respond
- Connect

### Anchor Standards
- Select, analyze, and interpret artistic work for presentation.
- Develop and refine artistic techniques and work for presentation.
- Convey meaning through the presentation of artistic work.
- Perceive and analyze artistic work.
- Interpret intent and meaning in artistic work.
- Apply criteria to evaluate artistic work.
- Synthesize and relate knowledge and personal experiences to make art.
- Relate artistic ideas and works with societal, cultural, and historical context to deepen understanding.

### Course Skill Objectives
Students will:
- Sing alone and with others, a varied repertoire of music
- Perform on percussion instruments, alone and with others, a varied repertoire of music
- Improvise and compose rhythmic and melodic patterns
- Read and notate music
- Listen to, analyze, interpret and evaluate music
- Perform multicultural music and dances

## Content Topics

## Assessments:
I. Rhythm  
II. Melody and Harmony  
III. Form, Style and Musical Expression  
IV. Vocal, Instrumental and Ensemble Skill Development

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| II. Melody and Harmony |   | I. Rhythm  
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## Rhythm

### Skill Objectives
- Students will be able to demonstrate contrasts in tempi (adagio, andante and allegro) using non-locomotor movements.
- Students will be able to identify a single bar line, measure, double bar line and time signature.
- Students will compose and perform short rhythms in common time using half notes, half rests, quarter notes, quarter rests and paired eighth notes.

### Responding
**Understanding and evaluating how the arts convey meaning.**

### Performing
**Realizing artistic ideas and work through interpretation and presentation.**

### Creating
**Conceiving and developing new artistic ideas and work.**

### Enduring Understanding
- The personal evaluation of musical works and performances is informed by analysis, interpretation, and established criteria based on the elements of music. (PROGRESSIVE BY GRADE LEVEL)

### Essential Question
- How do we judge the quality of musical work(s) and performances?

### Process Components: Analyze, Evaluate

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### Instructional Strategies/Process
- Students will analyze rhythms and identify and count half notes, half rests, quarter notes, quarter rests and paired eighth notes.
- Students will evaluate rhythms for accurate use of note values.
- Students will clap and tap a steady beat in 2/4, 3/4, 4/4, 6/8 and contrasting tempi (adagio, andante, allegro)
- Students will analyze, rehearse, refine and present simple rhythms using Gordon rhythmic syllables and
- Students will identify musical symbols including: the single bar line, double bar line, measure and time signature. unpitched percussion. Note values include half notes, half rests, quarter notes, quarter rests and paired eighth notes.
- Students will evaluate their rhythms for accurate performance of tempi and note values.
- Students will refine their compositions as needed.

**Assessments:**
Grade 2 Rhythm Assessment
Individual/Small group performance
Full group performance
Melody and Harmony
Skill Objectives
- Students will be able to sing, play and read skips, steps and repetitions in a melody.
- Students will be able to sing, play and improvise Do-Re-Mi and Sol-Mi-La patterns in head voice with accurate pitch.
- Students will be able to perform music in both major and minor keys.
- Students will be able to perform a song or rhyme with a bordun accompaniment.
- Students will be able to perform a two part rhythmic score.
- Students will be able to perform simple two part canons and rounds.

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<td>• Students will improvise answers to musical questions using Do-Re-Mi and Sol-Mi-La solfege patterns.</td>
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Assessments:
Grade 2 Melody/Harmony Assessment Parts 1, 2, and 3
Individual/Small group performance
Full group performance
### Form, Style and Musical Expression

**Skill Objectives**
- Students will be able to demonstrate the differences between the A and B sections within AB and ABA form with movements and body percussion.
- Students will be able to perform locomotor, non-locomotor and organized dance movements to a steady musical beat.
- Students will be able to perform different songs and folk dances from various cultures.
- Students will be able to identify, interpret and perform musically expressive symbols, including the dynamic markings: piano, mezzo piano and forte.

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**Process Components: Analyze, Interpret**

**Instructional Strategies/Process**
- Students will listen to and analyze songs in AB and ABA form and will identify the A and B sections accurately.
- Students will analyze and interpret dynamic markings including piano, mezzo piano and forte.

**Instructional Strategies/Process**
- Students will analyze songs in AB and ABA form, and will perform contrasting movements for the A and B sections.
- Students will perform locomotor and non-locomotor movements in folk dances and music in varying styles.
- Students will sing and play (rehearsing, evaluating, refining and ultimately presenting) songs with different dynamic levels including piano and forte.
- Students will rehearse, refine and perform circle games, songs and folk dances from various cultures.
Assessments:
Grade 2 Form, Style, and Musical Expression Assessment Parts 1 and 2
Individual/Small group performance
Full group performance
### Vocal, Instrumental and Ensemble Skill Development

#### Skill Objectives
- Students will be able to sing with appropriate posture while sitting and standing.
- Students will be able to sing in both high and low registers with a natural breathing motion.
- Students will be able to sing using head voice with accurate intonation.
- Students will be able to play pitched and unpitched percussion with correct technique.
- Students will be able to follow and respond to a conductor and specific conducting cues including entrances, cutoffs, louds and softs.

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### Essential Question
- How do we judge the quality of musical work(s) and performances?

### Process Components: Analyze, Interpret

### Instructional Strategies/Process
- Students will listen to and analyze phrases to echo in the correct vocal register.
- Students will visually and aurally identify and classify percussion instruments by type (wood, metal, shaker, scraper, drum).
- Students will follow the conductor, analyze and interpret conducting cues including entrances, cutoffs, louds and softs, and respond accordingly.

### Enduring Understanding
- To express their musical ideas, musicians analyze, evaluate, and refine their performance over time through openness to new ideas, persistence, and the application of appropriate criteria.
- Musicians judge performance based on criteria that vary across time, place and cultures.

### Essential Questions
- How do musicians improve the quality of their performance?
- When is a performance judged ready to present?

### Process Components: Analyze, Rehearse, Evaluate, Refine, Present

### Instructional Strategies/Process
- Students will sing, rehearse, refine and present songs and phrases in head voice with accurate pitch and proper posture both sitting and standing (“sitting/standing tall”)
- Students will analyze, rehearse, evaluate, refine and present two-part canons and rounds
- Students will analyze, rehearse, evaluate, refine and present songs with a bordun using proper mallet technique (proper grip, low bounce, middle bar placement) and using proper vocal technique (accurate pitch, accurate vocal placement; head voice vs. chest voice)
• Students will perform instrumental parts while other students sing or play contrasting parts.

Assessments:
Grade 2 Vocal, Instrumental and Ensemble Skill Development Assessment Parts 1, 2 and 3
Individual/Small group performance
Full group performance
CONNECTING

Relating artistic ideas and work with personal meaning and external context.

Enduring Understanding
- Understanding connections to varied contexts and daily life enhances musicians’ creating, performing and responding.

Essential Question
- How do the other arts, other disciplines, contexts, and daily life inform creating, performing and responding to music?

Process Components: Analyze, Interpret

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| Students will understand how specific songs learned in music classes connect to topics and content studied in other disciplines. | Students will analyze, interpret, rehearse and refine the melody to “This Land is Your Land.”  
Students will understand the historical context, meaning behind the words, and reasoning behind its creation and will answer the following “focus questions” about the song:  
  - Why was this song written?  
    *This song was written to reflect the need to help each other to remain united through difficult and challenging times.*  
  - Which musical elements does the composer use to help people understand the message?  
    *Repetition of the melody (verses and choruses share the same melody), Repetition of text: verses and choruses end with the same sentence “This land is made for you and me.”* |
Additional verses:

As I was walking that ribbon of highway
   I saw above me that endless skyway
   I saw below me that golden valley
   This land was made for you and me.

I roamed and rambled and I followed my footsteps
   To the sparkling sands of her diamond deserts
   And all around me, a voice was sounding
   This land was made for you and me.

When the sun comes shining, as I was strolling
   The wheat fields waving and dust clouds rolling
   The fog was lifting, a voice come chanting
   This land was made for you and me.
Grade 2
Assessment Pack

Fairfield Public Schools
2018
Skill objective: Students will compose short rhythms in common time using half notes, half rests, quarter notes, quarter rests and paired eighth notes.

Task Summary: Students compose their own two-measure pieces in 4/4 time.

Materials: Student Worksheet, pencils

Task Instructions:
- Teacher tells students to create their own two-measure rhythmic composition in the blank space on their Student Worksheet. They must follow all directions and use the rhythms in the box: quarter note, eighth notes, quarter rest, and half note.
- Teacher checks rhythms for accuracy and assesses student progress.
Task Summary: Students will compose a two-measure rhythmic piece in 4/4 time.

Name: ______________________ Date:_______________ Class: __________

Composing in 4/4

Directions:

2. Check your Musical Math by writing the count under each note/rest.

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Melody/Harmony Part 1

Skill objective: Students will be able to sing Do-Re-Mi patterns in head voice with accurate pitch.

Task Summary: Students will sing parts of “Hop Old Squirrel” independently.

Materials: Music for “Hop Old Squirrel,” Record Sheet

Repertoire: “Hop Old Squirrel”

Task Instructions:
- Students will sing the song as a group.
- Students will take turns singing parts of the song independently.

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Hop Old Squirrel

Voice

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Melody/Harmony Part 2

Skill objective: Students will be able to differentiate between skips, steps and repetitions on the staff.

Task Summary: Students will complete the worksheet to show mastery of skips, steps and repetitions.

Materials: Student worksheet, pencils

Task Instructions:
• Teacher hands out worksheet for students to complete.
• Teacher collects the worksheets and assesses for student progress.
Task Summary: Students identify skips, steps, and repetitions on the given worksheet.

Name: ____________________ Date: _______________ Class: __________

Identifying Skips, Steps, and Repetitions

Directions:
Identify whether the relationship between two notes is a SKIP, STEP, or REPETITION. Write your answer neatly on the line below each example.

1. ______ 4. ______

2. ______ 5. ______

3. ______ 6. ______

Melody/Harmony Part 3
Skill objective: Students will be able to differentiate between upward and downward melodic contour.

Task Summary: Students will complete the worksheet to show mastery upward and downward melodic contour.

Materials: Student worksheet, pencils

Task Instructions:
- Teacher hands out worksheet for students to complete.
- Teacher collects the worksheets and assesses for student progress.
Grade 2 Assessment: Melody/Harmony Part 3
Task Summary: Individually complete worksheets to show understanding of upward and downward melodic contour.

Name: ______________________ Date: _______________ Class: __________

Are the notes going up or going down? Circle the arrow that fits the melody you hear.

1. 
   
   UP  
   
   DOWN

2. 
   
   UP  
   
   DOWN

3. 
   
   UP  
   
   DOWN

4. 
   
   UP  
   
   DOWN
Form/Style/Musical Expression Part 1

Skill objective: Students will be able to distinguish AB and ABA form.

Task Summary: Teacher will play a musical selection for each example on the worksheet. Student will circle their answer based on whether the example is in AB or ABA form.

Materials: Student worksheet, musical selections, Record Sheet with Rubric

Task Instructions:
- Teacher will play a musical selection for each example on the worksheet.
- Student will circle their answer based on whether the example is in AB or ABA form.
- At the end of the assessment, collect papers and grade using the rubric.
Grade 2 Assessment: Form/Style/Musical Expression Part 1
Task Summary: Individually complete worksheets to show understanding of AB and ABA form.

Name: ______________________ Date:_______________ Class: __________

Listen to three different musical selections. Circle the picture that shows if the examples you hear are in AB or ABA form.

1. A B OR A B A

2. A B OR A B A

3. A B OR A B A
Form/Style/Musical Expression Part 2

Skill objective: Students will be able to identify and label musically expressive symbols, including the dynamic markings: piano, mezzo piano, and forte. Students will also identify time signature, bar line, measure, and double bar line (from the Rhythm section of the curriculum).

Task Summary: Students identify and label the given musical symbols and parts of the staff.

Materials: Student worksheet, Record Sheet

Task Instructions:
• Students are instructed to identify the musical symbols and parts of the staff, following the directions on the student worksheet.
• After students hand in their work, mark the record sheet according to their performance.
Grade 2 Enrichment: Rhythm and Form/Style/Musical Expression Part 2

Task Summary: Students identify and label the given musical symbols and parts of the staff.

Name: _____________________  Date: _______________  Class: __

Identifying Musical Symbols and Parts of the Staff

Directions:

Identify the numbered musical symbols and parts of the staff. As you identify each symbol, write it on the corresponding numbered line below.

1. __________________________
2. __________________________
3. __________________________
4. __________________________
5. __________________________
6. __________________________
7. __________________________
Vocal, Instrumental and Ensemble Skill Development Part 1

Skill objective: Students will be able to sing using head voice with accurate intonation. Assessments to be done using songs containing Sol-Mi and Sol-Mi-La patterns, multiple times per year.

Task Summary: Students will sing independently during a variety of songs and games. Teacher will assess students based on the vocal rubric provided.

Materials: Record Sheet with Rubric, variety of grade level repertoire

Task Instructions:
- Teacher prompts students to vocalize independently during a song or game.
- As students perform, watch and assess each individual.

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Vocal, Instrumental and Ensemble Skill Development Part 2

**Skill objective:** Students will be able to play pitched percussion with proper technique.

**Task Summary:** Students will play pitched percussion instruments independently during a variety of songs and games. Teacher will assess students based on the instrumental rubric provided.

**Materials:** Record Sheet with Rubric, variety of grade level repertoire

**Task Instructions:**
- Teacher prompts students to play a pitched percussion instrument independently during a song or game.
- As students perform, watch and assess each individual.

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Grade 2 General Music Curriculum 2018  
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Vocal, Instrumental and Ensemble Skill Development Part 3

Skill objective: Students will aurally identify and classify percussion instruments by type (wood, metal, shaker, scraper, drum).

Task Summary: Students will listen to sound samples given by the teachers and fill out the worksheet accordingly.

Materials: Student worksheets, pencils, varied percussion instruments or recorded sound files of percussion instruments.

Task Instructions:
- Teacher plays instruments or recordings and students fill out the worksheet according to what sounds they hear.
- Teacher collects worksheets and assesses student progress.
Task Summary: Individually complete worksheets to show understanding percussion instruments by sound.

Name: ______________________ Date:_______________ Class: __________

Write the type of instrument you hear next to each number below. You may use the instrument bank to help you make your choice.

**Instrument Bank**

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<tr>
<th>WOOD</th>
<th>DRUM</th>
<th>SCRAPER</th>
<th>SHAKER</th>
<th>METAL</th>
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2. ______________________________
3. ______________________________
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Grade 2 Appendix

- Suggested repertoire
- Review
- Enrichment
## Suggested Repertoire (chart headings to be edited)

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Grade 2 Review: Vocal, Instrumental and Ensemble Skill Development
Task Summary: Individually complete worksheets to show understanding percussion instruments by type.

Name: ______________________ Date:_______________ Class: __________

Match each instrument to the category in which it belongs.

WOOD

DRUM

SCRAPER

SHAKER

METAL