

**Department:** Performing Arts

**Course Name:** PK Music

**Course Description:**

Students will explore music through instruments, and movement. They will learn the basic concepts of sound, steady beat, and rhythm. All of this will be done through using the Themes used by their classroom teachers. Students will participate in a stage performance which will showcase their musical knowledge.

**Content:**

Sound

Classroom themes

Rhythm instruments

Movement

Singing

**Skills:**

Demonstrate the steady beat while moving or clapping

Demonstrate listening skills to identify sounds

Sing alone and/or in a group

**Text and Materials:**

Connors, 101 Rhythm Instrument Activities for Young Children, (Gryphon House Book, 2004)

McCarthy, Clap, Tap, Sing & Swing Rockin' Kids Motor Skills, (Sound Learning, LLC, 2008)

Gagne, Action Songs Children Love, (Themes & Variations, 1997)

Meeks, I Can Move!, (Lorenz Educational Press, 2009)

Weikart, Movement in Steady Beat, (Highscope Press, 2003)

Gagne, Music Play PreK, (Themes & Variations, 2016)

Connors, Shake, Rattle, and Roll, (Gryphon House Book, 2015)

Schay, Celebrations and Seasons, Heritage Music Press, 2017)

**Methods of Instruction:**

Demonstration of instruments

Demonstrate activities, individual, partner, and group

Rote singing

**Methods of Evaluation:**

Class participation

Class performance

Teacher Observation