

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 and following directions
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)
Capafons, Rainbow Songs, (Joan Capafons, 2017)
Main, Our First Day of Music, (Endeavor Music Publishing, 2024)

Methods of Instruction:

Demonstration of instruments
Demonstrate activities, individual, partner, and group
Rote singing

Methods of Evaluation:

Class participation
Class performance
Teacher Observation