WILMETTE PUBLIC SCHOOLS, DISTRICT 39

Grades K-8 General Music Curriculum

Statement of Philosophy

Music is a unique form of human expression that is universal and essential. As an ineffable aural art form, music communicates ideas and emotions. Music education is an independent and integral part of the development of the whole child. Through music education, District 39 students will become literate in the elements of music while developing performance skills and a lifelong appreciation of music.

The fundamental music processes in which students engage are listening, singing, playing, creating, and performing. Although the music curriculum map presents each process separately, District 39 believes that these processes are meaningfully integrated to achieve a balanced and comprehensive experience of study in music.

National and State Standards

STATE GOAL 25: Know the language of the arts.

- Understand the sensory elements, organizational principles, and expressive qualities
 - ∞ **NSM 6.** Listening to, analyzing, describing music
 - NSM 7. Evaluating music and music performances
- Understand the similarities, distinctions, and connections in and among the arts
 - NSM 8. Understanding relationships between music, the other arts, and disciplines outside the arts

STATE GOAL 26: Through creating and performing, understand how works of art are produced.

- Understand processes, traditional tools, and modern technologies used in the arts
 - ∞ **NSM 5.** Reading and notating music
- Apply skills and knowledge necessary to create and perform in one or more of the arts
 - ∞ **NSM 1.** Singing
 - ∞ **NSM 2.** Performing
 - ∞ **NSM 3.** Improvising
 - ∞ **NSM 4.** Composing

STATE GOAL 27: Understand the role of the arts in civilizations, past and present.

- Analyze how the arts function in history, society, and everyday life
- Understand how the arts shape and reflect history, society, and everyday life
 - ∞ **NSM 9.** Understanding music in relation to history and culture

Best instructional practices in a music classroom should:

- ∞ develop skills and techniques that are required to create and perform music.
- ∞ provide students with a variety of quality repertoire.
- ∞ promote active learning that allows for inherent sound and movement.
- ∞ engage students in common musical goals through cooperation and collaboration to build a musical community.
- ∞ develop a musical environment that is inclusive and respectful of all learning profiles.
- ∞ use formative and summative authentic assessments to guide teaching and learning.
- ∞ provide opportunities for student choice as part of their musical experiences.
- ∞ develop student responsibility for musical growth.
- ∞ connect and integrate with other disciplines and the real world.
- ∞ develop persistence and resilience.
- ∞ encourage coaching, modeling, and demonstrating by teachers and students.

Characteristics of Successful Learners

Transfers knowledge to new situations
Thinks flexibly
Is a self-directed learner
Thinks reflectively
Listens actively
Demonstrates perseverance
Strives for personal best
Takes responsible risks
Acts responsibly
Responds effectively
Maintains focus
Thinks interdependently
Self-advocates

Big Ideas

- ∞ Music is a unique form of human expression that is universal and essential.
- ∞ As an ineffable aural art form, music communicates ideas and emotions.
- ∞ A musical learner is a person who performs or practices music.
- ∞ They undergo the experience of musical creation and can communicate using the language of music.
- ∞ Musical learners possess the traits of successful learners.
- ∞ Persistence managing impulsivity, understanding with empathy, thinking flexibly, taking responsible risks, creativity and imagination are examples of these traits.

Essential Questions

What is the purpose of music?
What are the properties that make music a unique art form?

LISTENING

Domain-specific vocabulary: forte/piano, allegro/largo, crescendo/decrescendo, mezzo-forte, mezzo-piano pianissimo, fortissimo, moderato, andante, presto, string/brass/woodwind/percussion families, long/short, range, steps and skips, tempo, dynamics, phrasing, melodic contour, style genre

Academic vocabulary: long, short, steps, skips, range

Guiding Questions	Concepts	Assessments of Knowledge and Skills	Teaching Resources
What is active listening?	Active listening is to hear	Summative Assessment	Grades K - 8
	something with thoughtful	Students will listen and respond to characteristics or elements of	
How does active listening	attention.	music.	"Star Spangled Banner"
contribute to musical		Formative Understandings	
literacy?	Active listeners in an ensemble		Each year a teacher may use
	understand and value the roles of	Kindergarten	various books and Internet
What are the attributes of	all performers.	Respond to differences between high and low, loud and soft, fast	resources to enhance and
an active listener?		and slow, short and long	further develop a lesson.
	An active listener identifies and	Recognize melodic direction	
What are the attributes of	analyzes melody, harmony,	Recognize a range and variety of sounds	Teacher Resources
active listening?	rhythm, form, expressive qualities,	Explore pitched and unpitched instruments and characteristics of	
	history, culture, and timbre.	sounds	Professional classroom library
What role does active			Kodály-inspired songbooks
listening have in an	An active listener demonstrates	Grade 1	Orff-inspired collections
ensemble?	understanding of music.	(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	Gameplan by Kriske and DeLelles
		Recognize steps and skips	Materials by John Feierabend
How does active listening	Technology has an impact on	Explore the instruments in the percussion family	Materials by Sanna Longden
		Recognize musical contrasts in tempo and dynamics	Music periodicals

affect an ensemble?	active listening.		Smartboard lessons
	8	Grade 2	
What role does a		(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	Student Resources
conductor have in active		Recognize contour in music	<u> </u>
listening?		Explore the instruments in the string family	Teacher webpage
increasing.		Identify musical contrasts in tempo and dynamics	Classroom Instruments
How does technology		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Classroom instruments
affect listening?		Grade 3	747 T 44
affect fistering:		(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	<u>Websites</u>
		Recognize the difference between major and minor tonalities	
		Explore the instruments in the woodwind family	www.musicinteractive.com
			www.youtube.com
		Grade 4	www.philtulga.com
		(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	www.classicsforkids.com
		Explore the instruments in the brass family	www.starfall.com
			www.jalc.org
		Grade 5	www.nyphil.org
		(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	www.sfskids.org
		Interpret phrasing and expressive elements	
		Identify major scales	Technology
		Recognize varied timbres	
		Recognize melodic and harmonic complexity	Garageband
			Smartboard
		Grade 6	iDVD
		(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	iTunes
		Recognize melodies in bass clef	iPod/iPad
			Photobooth
		Grade 7	Stereo
		(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	Flip camera
		Distinguish between major and minor triads	
		Identify stylistic traits of compositions	
		Identify stylistic traits of genres	
		Identify and explain purposes of listening	
		Grade 8	
		(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	
		Analyze stylistic traits of compositions	
		Analyze stylistic traits of genres	
		Apply musical autonomy in performance	
		SINGING	

Domain-specific vocabulary: melody, pitch, vocal range, pentatonic, solfege (do re mi fa sol la ti do), rounds, canon, ostinati, diatonic, scale, treble clef, whole and half steps, key signature, descant, partner song, flat, sharp, diaphragm, soft palate, hard palate, soprano, alto, tenor, bass, harmony, breath support **Academic vocabulary:** high, low, whispering, singing, speaking, shouting, steps, skips, intervals, major, minor, up, down, across, accompaniment, posture, blend, personal space

Guiding Questions	Concepts	Assessments of Knowledge and Skills	Teaching Resources
What is singing?	Singing is the production of musical tones	Summative Assessment	Fifth and Sixth Grade:
5 5	by means of the voice.	Students will perform vocal music representative of varied	
Why is singing important?	•	styles.	"Star Spangled Banner"
7 8 8 1	Ensemble singing is a group of	Formative Understandings	1 8
What are the attributes of	complementary parts that contribute to a	Kindergarten	Each year a teacher may use
singing?	single effect. It emphasizes the roles of all	Demonstrate knowledge of high and low pitches/	various books and Internet
8 8	performers as a whole.	Experience the difference between high and low	resources to enhance and
What are the attributes of a		Match pitches in limited range	further develop a lesson.
singer?	Singing is an expression of melody,	Sing in tune	
	harmony, rhythm, form, expressive	Demonstrate knowledge of melodic direction	Teacher Resources
What are the characteristics	qualities, history, culture, and timbre.	Demonstrate appropriate singing techniques	
of ensemble singing?		Perform melodic improvisation	Professional classroom library
or enterness singing.	Singing is and has been used as a form of	Identify and respond to accompaniment	Kodály-inspired songbooks
How does singing	expression in various cultures and time	Identify individual differences in the speaking, whispering,	Orff-inspired collections
contribute to musical	periods throughout history to present day.	shouting, and singing voice	Gameplan by Kriske and
literacy?		Identify individual differences in children's women's, and	DeLelles
	Singers develop techniques and physical	men's voices	Materials by John Feierabend
How does culture affect the	coordination to create vocal production in		Folksong collections
musical characteristics of a	a variety of styles.	Grade 1	Octavos
song?		(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	Sheet music
oong.		Demonstrate knowledge of steps and skips	Scripts
How does the historical time		Sing pentatonic scale	Recorder music
period affect the stylistic		SIng grade specific intervals	Music periodicals
characteristics of a song?		Sing in major and minor tonalities	Smartboard lessons
characteristics of a song.			
How does technology		Grade 2	Student Resources
impact song?		(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	
impact song.		Demonstrate knowledge of up-down-across Sing extended pentaton	Teacher webpage
What are melody, harmony,		Identify and sing simple rounds and canons	
rhythm, timbre, form and		Identify major and minor tonalities	Websites
the expressive qualities of		Identify and sing ostinati	
music?		Table of the state	www.musicinteractive.com
		Grade 3	
Why does music have		(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	

melody, harmony, rhythm,	Perform songs in major and minor keys	www.youtube.com
timbre, form, and expressive	Perform diatonic scale	
qualities?	Identify and perform absolute note names in the treble clear	www.brainpop.com
	Distinguish between major and minor tonalities	
How are melody, harmony,	Grade 4	www.philtulga.com
rhythm, timbre, form and	(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	
the expressive qualities used in music?	Experience whole and half steps	www.classicsforkids.com
in music:	Experience simple key signatures	
	Sing descants and partner songs	
		To the old one
	Grade 5	<u>Technology</u>
	(Reinforce prior skills and understandings) Interpret phrasing and expressive elements	Garageband
	Identify major scales	Garageband
	Explore singing in varied timbres	iMovie
	Develop melodic and harmonic complexity	in to the
		Smartboard
	Grade 6	
	(Reinforce prior skills and understandings) Read melodies in bass clef	iDVD
	Identify chromatic scales	
	Sing in three parts	iTunes
	Grade 7	iPod/iPad
	(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	
	Perform with harmonic accompaniment Develop increased control of the singing voice in varied	Photobooth
	ranges and tessitura	C4
	Develop increased melodic and harmonic complexity	Stereo
	Apply the principles of proper intonation in part singing	Flip camera
		The camera
	Grade 8	
	(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	
	Apply musical autonomy in performance Hold pitch in part singing	
	Increase fluency in reading melodic notation	
	PLAYING	

Domain Specific Vocabulary: percussion (scrapers, shakers, skins, metals, woods), wind (recorder, soprano, tenor), piano, xylophone (bass, alto, soprano, glockenspiel, metallophone, bass bar), guitar (sound hole, tuning pegs, nut, strings, bridge, neck, fret, fingerboard, strum, pluck, pick, tune/tuner), drum (tubano, djembe, conga, hand drum, doumbek, bongo), pitched/unpitched, instruments, mallets, keyboard, beat, rhythm, bordun (steady beat, broken, level, moving, crossover, chordal), pentaton,

ostinati, melody, harmony, keys, treble clef, bass clef, key signature, time signature, accelerando, articulation, tonguing, canon, round, vibration, chord, legato, phrase, syncopation

Academic Vocabulary: major, minor, up, down, across, unison, patterns

Guiding Questions	Concepts	Assessments of Knowledge and Skills	Teaching Resources
What is instrumental playing?	Instrumental playing is the production of musical tones by means of pitched and unpitched instruments.	Performance Task (Summative) Students will perform pieces of music in various styles using instruments.	Each year a teacher may use various books and Internet resources to enhance and
Why is instrumental playing important?		Grades K thru 8 th	further develop a lesson.
. , , ,	Ensemble instrumental playing is a group	Play and care for classroom instruments as directed	Teacher Resources
What are the attributes of instrumental playing?	of complementary parts that contribute to a single effect. It emphasizes the roles of all performers as a whole.	Formative Understandings	Professional classroom library
What are the characteristics of ensemble playing?	Instrumental playing is an expression of	Kindergarten Perform on pitched and unpitched percussion instruments Play steady beat and basic rhythmic patterns on pitched and	Kodály-inspired songbooks
What are the attributes of	melody, harmony, rhythm, form, expressive qualities, history, culture, and	unpitched percussion instruments Demonstrate appropriate playing techniques of pitched and	Orff-inspired collections
an instrumentalist?	timbre.	unpitched percussion instruments	Gameplan by Kriske and DeLelles
How does playing an	Instrumental playing is and has been used as a form of expression in various cultures and time periods throughout history to	Grade 1 (Reinforce prior skills and understandings) Perform steady beat bordun	Materials by John Feierabend
instrument contribute to musical literacy?	present day.	Explore melodic contour on barred instruments Play grade specific intervals	Folksong collections
How does culture affect the characteristics	Instrumentalists develop techniques and physical coordination in a variety of styles.	Play in major and minor tonalities	Sheet music
of instrumental playing?		Grade 2 (Reinforce prior skills and understandings) Perform broken bordun	Recorder music by Don Murc
How does the historical time period affect the		Perform patterns of up-down-across Perform on barred instruments in the extended pentaton	Music periodicals
etylistic characteristics of an instrumental		Perform ostinati on pitched and unpitched instruments	Smartboard lessons
composition?		Grade 3 (Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	Guitar literature
How does technology mpact instrumental		Play four note melodies on soprano recorder Play songs in major and minor keys	
playing?		Play absolute note names on the treble clef	Student Resources
What are melody,		Perform crossover, level, and moving bordun	

harmony, rhythm, timbre,		Grade 4	Teacher webpage
form and the expressive		(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	
qualities of music?		Play melodies using whole and half steps	Classroom Instruments
		Interpret and play melodies using simple key signatures	
Why does music have		Perform chord change borduns (I, IV, V)	Websites
melody, harmony, rhythm,			Websites
timbre, form, and		Grade 5	
expressive qualities?		(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	www.musicinteractive.com
		Play in unison and in parts with attention to phrasing and	_
How are melody, harmony,		expressive elements	www.youtube.com
rhythm, timbre, form and		Perform in multiple parts on various classroom instruments	
the expressive qualities		Explore varied instrumental timbres through performance	www.brainpop.com
used in music?		Perform pieces with three or more parts	
used in music:		T the man process with the control pure	www.philtulga.com
		Grade 6	
			www.classicsforkids.com
		(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	www.classicsiorkids.com
		Play accompaniments based on harmonic structure of a	To do a do ser
		song	<u>Technology</u>
		Explore classroom instruments	
			Garageband
		Grade 7	iMovie
		(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	Smartboard
		Perform major and minor triads	iDVD
		Perform rhythmic patterns independently in an ensemble	iTunes
			iPod/iPad
		Grade 8	Photobooth
		(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)	Stereo
		Play major, minor, and seventh chords	Flip camera
		Play correct chords while singing	
		Apply appropriate rhythmic patterns to an accompaniment	
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CREATING

Domain-specific vocabulary: quarter note, quarter rest, and two eighth note, sixteenth notes, eighth-two sixteenth, two sixteenth eighth, eighth rest, syncopation, piano, forte, mezzo-forte, mezzo-piano pianissimo, fortissimo, crescendo/decrescendo, moderato, andante, moderato, largo, allegro, presto moderato, AB/ABA, improvisation, first and second ending, DC al Fine, DC al Coda, repeat sign bar line, double bar line, accent, rondo, round, canon, interlude and coda, bridge, ostinato, meter, duple meter, triple meter

Academic vocabulary: improvisation, sound, locomotor, contextualize, dynamics, instrument, contrast, attributes, accent, aural

Guiding Questions	Concepts	Assessments of Knowledge and Skills	Teaching Resources
How is music created?	Music is created by arranging, composing,	Performance Task (Summative) Create a rhythmic or melodic idea	Each year a teacher may use various books and Internet

Formative Understandings improvising, playing, singing, and moving. resources to enhance and Why is creating music further develop a lesson. important? Kindergarten Music can be created through collaboration. Rhvthm **Teacher Resources** What are the attributes of Demonstrate a steady beat while listening to music, a composer? playing games, and moving Creating music is an expression of melody, Professional classroom library Explore aural and visual use of sound and silence to form harmony, rhythm, form, expressive How does creating music rhythm patterns qualities, history, culture, and timbre. contribute to musical Kodály-inspired songbooks Explore aural and visual use of long and short sounds literacy? Form The influence of culture and time changes Orff-inspired collections Explore the differences within a piece of music the way music is created and how How does culture affect Explore knowledge of same and different musicians create music. the creation of music? Gameplan by Kriske and Tone Color DeLelles Explore a range and variety of sounds How does the historical Explore pitched and unpitched instruments and time period affect the Rhythmically Moving by Phyllis characteristics of sounds creation of music? Weickert Expressive Oualities Explore musical contrasts How does technology Materials by Sanna Longden impact creation of music? First Grade (Reinforce prior skills and understandings) Materials by John Feierabend What inspires someone to Rhvthm create a piece of music? Demonstrate knowledge of pulse in meter Folksong collections Apply aural and visual use of sound and silence to form How is sound organized rhythm patterns Recorder music by Don Muro to make music? Understand notation that represents the divided beat Explore use of rhythmic ostinati Music periodicals Interpreting movements Why does music have Explore metric groupings structure? Smartboard lessons Form Apply knowledge of same and different to two-part form What are melody, **Student Resources** Recognize how music icons are symbols used to read for harmony, rhythm, timbre, musical understanding form and the expressive Tone Color Teacher webpage qualities of music? Classroom Instruments Identify a range and variety of sounds Identify pitched and unpitched instruments and Why does music have characteristics of sounds Websites melody, harmony, Introduce the families of instruments of the orchestra rhythm, timbre, form, and Expressive Oualities www.musicinteractive.com expressive qualities? Contextualize musical contrasts in tempo and dynamics

Second Grade

How are melody,

harmony, rhythm, timbre, (Reinforce prior skills and understandings) www.youtube.com form and the expressive Rhythm qualities used in music? Expand application of notational representations that www.philtulga.com include sustained sounds and silence Explore metric groupings Form Apply knowledge of organization of sound to musical **Technology** Tone Color Garageband Contextualize a range and variety of sounds iMovie Contextualize pitched and unpitched instruments and Smartboard characteristics of sounds iDVD Expand knowledge of instruments of the orchestra iTunes Expressive Qualities iPod/iPad Apply musical contrasts in tempo and dynamics Photobooth Stereo Third Grade Flip camera (Reinforce prior skills and understandings) Rhythm Expand application of notational representations that include more complex combinations Understand how rhythm can be organized into patterns Identify time signature markings Form Expand and enrich knowledge of how music is organized. Tone Color Expand knowledge of instruments of the orchestra *Expressive Qualities* Analyze musical contrasts in tempo and dynamics. Fourth Grade (Reinforce prior skills and understandings) Rhythm Perform using notational representation that represent further divisions of the beat Form Expand and enrich knowledge of how music is organized Tone Color Review all families of instruments of the orchestra *Expressive Qualities* Apply the understanding of musical contrasts in tempo

and dynamics.

Fifth Grade

(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)

Rhythm

Internalize how the rhythm lines up against the steady beat amidst multiple parts

Form

Demonstrate understanding of musical form through movement

Tone Color

Explore how timbre influences musical choices

Expressive Qualities

Explore how changes in tempo and dynamics can affect the ideas and emotions represented in music

Sixth Grade

(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)

Rhythm

Apply knowledge of rhythm in composition.

Form

Identify subtle differences in like phrases

Tone Color

Demonstrate how timbre influences musical choices

Expressive Qualities

Demonstrate how changes in tempo and dynamics can affect the ideas and emotions represented in music

Seventh Grade

(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)

Rhythm

Integrate knowledge of rhythm and composition

Form

Analyze how musical contrasts organize sound in a composition

Create a visual representation of form

Tone Color

Analyze how timbre influences musical choices

Research how instruments are used in ensembles

Explore how instruments produce their specific timbres Expressive Qualities

Analyze how changes in tempo and dynamics can affect

the ideas and emotions represented in music
Eighth Grade
(Reinforce prior skills and understandings)
Rhythm & Form
Demonstrate rhythmic competency through movement or
performance
Tone Color
Analyze how physiological and physical characteristics
impact timbre
Expressive Qualities
Practice how changes in tempo and dynamics can affect
the ideas and emotions represented in music

PERFORMING

Domain Specific Vocabulary: stage, audience, applause, cues, performance, backstage, upstage, stage left, stage right, offstage, blocking, props, costumes, conductor, performer, risers, encore, finale, program, monologue, pit, ensemble, microphone, speakers, curtain call, rehearsal, piano, accompaniment, instruments

Academic Vocabulary: transitions, bow, narrator, narration

Guiding Questions	Concepts	Assessments of Knowledge and Skills	Teaching Resources
What are the	A quality performance requires	Performance Task (Summative)	Each year a teacher may use
characteristics of a quality	collaboration and cooperation by all	Students will participate as a performer or audience	various books and Internet
performance?	members of an ensemble.	member during a musical performance	resources to enhance and
			further develop a lesson.
What are the	A performer is someone who can think	Performance Task	
characteristics of a	flexibly and independently. They strive	By the end of 4th grade, students will participate in at least	Teacher Resources
performer?	for their personal best.	two formal musical performances	Professional classroom library
			Kodály-inspired songbooks
How does stage behavior	The interaction of performers and	Formative Understandings	Orff-inspired collections
affect a performance?	audience members can influence	Understand and apply basic performance principles	Gameplan by Kriske and
	performances.		DeLelles
How does audience		Understand the interplay between voice and instrument	Materials by Sanna Longden
behavior affect a	A performance is the end result of a		Materials by John Feierabend
performance?	period of practice and rehearsal.	Apply the understanding of the interplay between	Music periodicals
		musician and audience	Smartboard lessons
		IIndovetand the expectations and responsibilities of an	Student Resources
		Understand the expectations and responsibilities of an audience member	Teacher webpage
		addience member	Classroom Instruments
			Websites

	www.youtube.com
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	Garageband
	Smartboard
	iDVD
	iTunes
	iPod/iPad
	Photobooth
	Stereo
	Flip camera
	Sound and lighting equipment