Cocalico School District Year-at-a-Glance - Curriculum Overview

Department: Music

Course: Wind Ensemble / Choir I

Big Ideas

- Skills and Concepts associated with each unit are merged and embedded in every rehearsal, lesson, practice session, and performance in a spiral design
- Students study similar units at different grade levels in greater depth and at progressively higher levels of difficulty.

Units of Study	% of Course Time	Textbooks & Supplemental Materials	Assessments	Standards Addressed
 Performing – Interpreting Performing Developmentally-appropriate scales, exercises, chorales, etudes, and vocalizes Developmentally-appropriate band/choral repertoire 	50%	 SmartMusic Concert literature Various technique and concept textbooks 	 Progress Monitoring Public Performances Rehearsal Contribution 	• 9.1.12.A-C • 9.1.12.G
 Performing Technique Breathing Posture/playing position Tone Production Fingering/slide positions/sticking Articulation Diction Interpreting Music Notation Sight-reading and performing a variety of scales, exercises, chorales, and etudes Musical tempo, meter, rhythmic note values Melodic and harmonic pitch and tonal relationships Expressive and dynamic symbols 				
Performing – Rehearsing, Evaluating, Refining, & Presenting Ensemble Skills • Balance • Blend • Tuning • Phrasing • Following a Conductor Performance • Critical listening individually and in ensemble setting	45%	 SmartMusic Concert literature Various technique and concept textbooks 	 Progress Monitoring Public Performances Rehearsal Contribution 	• 9.1.12.A-C • 9.1.12.G

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 Technical proficiency Expressive qualities Cultural awareness and sensitivity 				
Responding Selecting, Analyzing, and Describing Music • Music forms • Music elements • Cultural and historical influences	5%	 SmartMusic Concert literature Various technique and concept textbooks Self and group reflection/critique 	 Progress Monitoring Public Performances Rehearsal Contribution 	 9.1.12.G 9.1.12.I 9.2.12.A-B 9.2.12.L 9.3.12.A-B
 Interpreting and Evaluating Quality of concert performances Composers' and performers' expressive intent Criteria for artistic performances 				



Eagle P.A.C.T. Course Connections:

This course encourages students to use problem solving skills to become self-directed and self-corrective, to communicate their thoughts through music performance and collaborate with others while rehearsing, performing and analyzing music.