

Beg. & Intermediate Keyboarding Syllabus

New Manchester High School
FAME
Instrumental Music Department

Instructor Information

Instructor

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General Information

Description

This course provides the musician with the appropriate methods, techniques, strategies, and skills for introductory and development of keyboarding skills. The course will focus on the elements needed to be a multifaceted and proficient instrumentalist. The course structure will consist of but is not limited to the following: demonstrations, ear training, performance evaluations, sight reading, basic theory, and rhythm reading.

Performance Standards/Objective:

www.georgiastandards.org

Expectations and Goals

- Students are to be present and on time for each class.
- No food or drinks allowed in class. Water is allowed.
- Students will need their assigned music materials, and headphones daily.
- **Students are to have a 1/2" stereo headphone adapter and headphones.**
- Students are to actively participate to attain the highest musical growth.
- Skill checks will be given to monitor student growth in the following areas: rhythm reading, hand placement, posture, and knowledge of scales.
- **NO PHONES ALLOWED IN CLASS.**
- No music and/or headphones equal a daily grade of zero.
- **Students are to acquire "Alfred's All-In-One Course" prior to the start of class.**
- **Any written assignment submitted in pen will receive an automatic grade of zero. Pencils are the only utensil allowed in theory class.**

Course Materials

Required Materials

- Alfred's All-In-One Course
 - Student must purchase this book
 - ISBN: 0-88284-88-6
 - Available on Amazon
- Spiral bound notebook or 3 prong paper folder w/pockets
- Pencil(s)
 - Any other writing utensil is strictly prohibited

Grading Plan

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| • Participation/Classwork | 30% |
| • Skill Checks/Performances/Projects | 50% |
| • Final | 20% |

Grading Scale

A- 90 to 100

B- 80 to 89

C- 71 to 79

D- 70

F- Below 70

Appeals

A student/parent has 5 business days from the date that the report card is issued to appeal the final grade. The appeal must be made in writing to the principal and the decision of the principal is final.

Academic Honesty:

Please refer to the DCSS or NMHS handbook

Lost book policy: (This also applies to lost or damaged equipment)

Board Policy Descriptive Code: IFAD

The student must replace the book if it is lost or stolen. Class participation grade will be waived for **3 days** to allow the student time to replace the book. It will be the sole responsibility of the student to make up any missed performance evaluations.