Music Syllabus 2023-24

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Supplies Needed:

Six-sided Pencil

Good Eraser

Music Folder

Music Notebook (5th-8th gr.)

Student Planner (4th-8th gr.)

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Grading Scale:

93 - 100 E

75 - 92 S

65 - 74 N

0 - 64 U

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Grade Weights:

Participation: 50%

Worksheets: 10%

Tests: 20%

Performance: 20%

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Behavior Plan:

Verbal warning

Loss of participation points

Planner signed

Detention w/ email to

parents

Hi, I’m Mrs. Loveless and I’m so excited to be teaching Music again this year! I started at Valley as the mom of a 1st grader back in 2005 and began volunteering right away. Our second child started attending here as a kindergartner in 2009.

In 2017, I was hired as the World Languages teacher, where I adjusted to teaching six grade levels. Yikes! I switched to Music in 2021, adding 1st & 2nd grades to my docket. It is definitely challenging, with around 725 students to keep track of and grade, but with a BA in Music Education, it’s what I was trained for and puts me in my element!

Having had two children (a boy and a girl) promote from Valley, I know how incredible this school is, and also the challenges of learning here. Please feel free to get with me, if you ever have a question or concern, and I’ll do my best to address it.

Although this is my third year in Music, I ask for continued patience as I adjust and adapt to this role. Each year is a new learning experience, and presents its own new challenges and excitement. I’m looking forward to an AMAZING school year!

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Class Procedures:

Come to class prepared with needed supplies & a good attitude

Keep hands & feet to yourself

Listen carefully & follow directions the first time

Be respectful to your teachers & aides

Be kind to your classmates

Don’t talk out or talk to classmates unless given permission

Treat all instruments with care

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**I**mportant Notes:

Please fill out the back of this syllabus & return it to your homeroom, signed, by Friday, August 18th.

There is an evening performance scheduled for Tuesday, November 7. If your student cannot attend, an alternate written assignment will be given for a grade (to be completed in class).

Music Contract

2023-24

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Due: Friday, August 18th for a grade

Music class consists of a variety of songs, dances (possibly with a partner), and playing certain tuned or untuned percussion instruments. I realize some students may not be permitted to participate in certain activities, and I would like to have a heads up so I can plan for them to be otherwise occupied during that class time.

Please list any medical or religious concerns you have about the music program, in case I need to address them with you:

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* I have visited the Music website & the “Contract Picture” is: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* My child may not dance at all due to religious beliefs or medical reasons
* My child may only line dance (i.e. School Choice dance, square dance, etc.)
* My child may not watch educational videos (i.e. re: instruments/composers)

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Full Student Name - PRINTED Homeroom Teacher

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Parent Signature Date