BAND, ORCHESTRA, AND CHORUS SYLLABUS

COHEA 2023-2024

Mr. E. Gonzalez

Introduction to Music Class









Welcome to Music Class! We have an exciting school year ahead of us. It is my hope that you will enjoy the experience of learning about and making music. If we all work hard together we can make this a truly memorable year! Please read the following information carefully with your parent/guardian(s) and complete the Google Form at the end to complete the required signatures.

School Schedule and Calendar





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Band App

Colegia

GOOGLE CLASSROOM

School Website

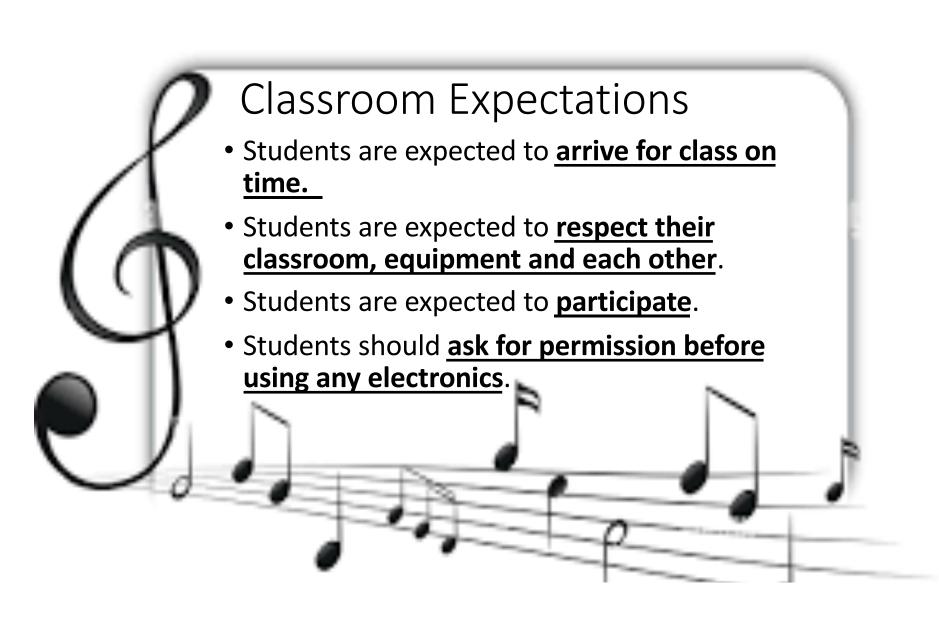
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Course Description

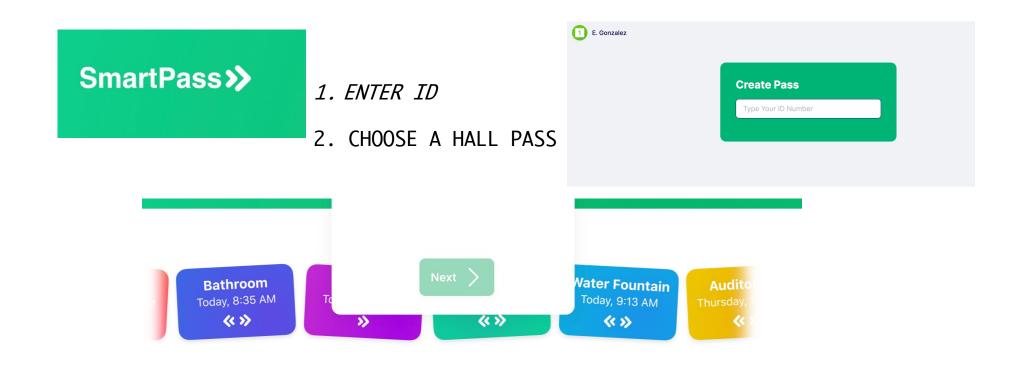
- Singing
- Playing-Musical Instruments
- Learning- Musical Lieracy: Music History, Theory and Ear- Training
- Performing
- Students with little or no singing and instrumental experience develop foundational instrumental and vocal technique, foundational music literacy, and aesthetic musical awareness through rehearsal, performance, and study of high-quality literature.
 Instrumentalists and Vocalists work on the fundamentals of music notation, sound production, instrument care and maintenance, and personal and group rehearsal strategies.
- Public performances may serve as a culmination of specific instructional goals. Students may be required to attend and/or participate in rehearsals and performances outside the school day to support, extend, and assess learning in the classroom. This course may also require students to obtain a musical instrument (e.g., borrow, rent, purchase) from an outside source.



Classroom Procedures

- Enter Class quietly and respectfully.
- Begin to set up your chair and stand (if not already done so)
- Place your music or notebook on the stand.
- Find your instrument and bring it to your where you sit in its case.
- Take out your instrument, tune and warmup until the director tells you to stop.
- Raise your hand to speak or to ask to use the restroom.
- Students now will use the <u>Smart Pass</u> system for Hall Passes

SMART PASS HALL PASS SYSTEM



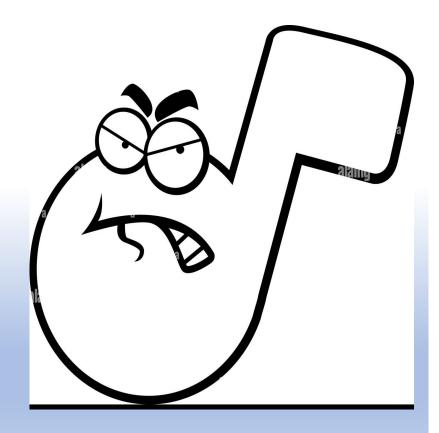
Class Rules

- Respect Your Teacher, Peers and Property
- Follow All Directions
- Raise Your Hand to Speak
- Cell Phones are NOT Allowed Unless Approved by Teacher and must be turned off and placed in Cell Phone Storage Pouch.
- Unless Otherwise Instructed, Be Seated with Your Music Folder and Pencil <u>Before</u> Class Begins.
- The Music Room is to be Kept Clean at All Times.
- Gum, Food, or Drinks Are NOT Allowed in the Music Room unless approved by teacher
- Always follow COHEA's Leadership Foundation: Honor, Respect and Loyalty

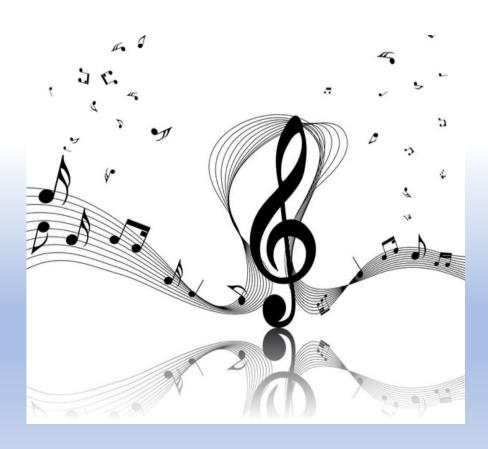


CONSEQUENCES

- The Teacher will use the HERO system to document <u>both positive and negative</u> <u>behavior</u>. It is strongly encouraged for all students and parents monitor their Hero account.
- https://access.heropowered.com
- Level 1 infractions- Hero
- For higher level infractions the teacher will refer the student to administration.



GRADING SCALE AND CATEGORIES



- 90-100 = A 4 points
- 80-89 = B 3 points
- 70-79 = C 2 points
- 60-69 = D-1 point
- 0-59 = F 0 points

Grade Categories:

- Major Assessments/ Tests: 30%
- Mini- Assessments/ Quizzes: 25%
- Class Learning: 20%
- Home Learning: 5%
- Projects/ Cooperative Presentation/ Essays: 20%
- Total: 100%

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY & ASSIGMENT SUBMISSION

Academic Dishonesty:

 Cheating is completely UNACCEPTABLE if a student is caught cheating they will receive a Z, a call home will be made and administration will be notified. Plagiarism is also considered cheating

Assignment Submission Guidelines:

- Format: Assignments should be typed. They may be handwritten if necessary but must be completely legible.
- Platform for Submission: Assignments must be submitted electronically through Google Classroom.

SUPPLY LIST

- Essential Elements Bk.1 (Orchestra) Instrument Specific
- Tradition of Excellence Bk. 1 (Band) Instrument Specific
- Alfred's Essentials of Music Theory Complete (recommended)
- 1 inch Binder
- Staff Paper- May be purchased at a music store or online. There are also free downloads of printable staff paper online. https://www.blanksheetmusic.net https://makingmusicfun.net/pdf/blanks/BlankStaffPaper.pdf
- Lined paper
- Pencils
- Dry- Erase Markers

FEES

Enrichment Fee:

• Each student will be required to pay a \$15 enrichment fee for the following school year. This fee will be used to purchase a performance polo, personal music workbooks, sheet music, and accessories needed throughout the year.

Instrument Rental Fees:

- Students will be required to pay a \$30 rental fee to rent the instrument from the COHEA Music Program. This fee does not include accessories such as shoulder rests, extra strings, reeds, valve oil, slide grease, or mouthpieces.
- At the moment COHEA cannot provide instruments for all students. Priority will be given to returning students first.
- New Students will be given a letter to take home to parents that will assist in purchasing and renting instruments from various outside sources.

CONCERT/PERFORMANCE UNIFORM

We will be utilizing the following uniform for our performances this year: • Concert Performance Polo (comes included with the enrichment fee) Black dress pants or black knee length skirt. Black dress shoes (boys/girls) Black Flats (girls) (NO OPEN-TOED SANDALS OR SNEAKERS) • Two Inch Heels maximum for girls Black socks, hose, or knee highs • More specific information regarding this will be sent home later.

Concert Dates



- COHEA Holiday Show: Dec. 20th 2023
- More Dates Coming Soon!







Concert Attendance Policy

- All students will receive the COHEA Music Program Calendar for the current school year. There are both
 required and optional performance opportunities. The required events will be for a grade. Excused absences
 from required performances will be granted only in cases of genuine emergencies or illnesses. In these
 cases, the director will need to be notified no later than 24 hours by a parent or guardian. A student with an
 excused absence or a Covid-19 related quarantine or extended illness will be allowed to record a makeup
 performance or will be given an alternative assignment in order to receive a grade. Failure to attend a
 concert, sectional, mandatory performance, or rehearsal will result in a zero for a grade. "I did not have a
 ride" is NOT an excuse. If you have an unexcused absence for a performance, you will be removed from the
 choir and/or orchestra program.
- Regarding conflicts with athletics: While the fine arts and athletic department coordinate dates so that students do not have conflicts with scheduling, Conflicts will still arise due to rescheduling of athletic events. Choir and Orchestra students that sign the COHEA Music Contract stating that both student and parent have read this syllabus are agreeing to the terms that a graded performance takes precedence over an athletic event.
- Please mark these dates on your personal calendars and let me know as soon as possible of any conflicts or concerns. Performance dates are subject to change and as much as possible advance notice will be given of any changes.

MUSIC CONTRACT

COHEA MUSIC CONTRACT

- I, (Student Name), agree to meet all the expectations stated in my syllabus, as well as understand that if I were to ever violate any of the rules, I shall accept the consequences of my actions.
- I will treat each of my classmates with absolute respect and dignity. I will not bully my peers and I will prevent any sort of bullying activity that occurs within my class and my school. I will report any acts of bullying to a teacher and/or adult as soon as possible.
- I will work together with my teacher to make sure that I complete all assignments that I am given. I understand that if I have questions about an assignment, I am to ask to make sure I know what to do. This is my responsibility as a student, and I will take that responsibility seriously.
- I understand that it is my job to be in class on time. I know that being late is not tolerated, and if I were to be tardy, I should have a legitimate excuse for being late. Not having one is unacceptable and I take full responsibility for the punishments listed in the class syllabus.
- I will perform all of my work to the utmost of my ability. I understand that I am accountable for my work and that all work is turned in on time. I comprehend that failure to turn in assignments late and not having a legitimate excuse will result in a Z (incomplete) in the grade book and I am not eligible to make up that work.
- I will be an example for others to follow, both inside the classroom and outside. I represent the City of Hialeah Educational Academy (COHEA), and I will represent my school with pride and honor.
- I have read the course requirements, rules, standards and expectations for my class. I understand that academic integrity is expected. By signing this contract, I agree to all the aforementioned information.

SYLLABUS CONTRACT (GOOGLE FORM)



