

KPBSD MUSIC COURSES

Elementary General Music-K-6

Grades: K – 6

Course Description: Instruction focuses on reading and writing music, singing and playing instruments, creating musical compositions, movement, and listening. Students will learn elements of music including melody, rhythm, form, texture/harmony, timbre, notation skills, dynamics, articulations, and technical skill. Students will apply criteria to evaluate their performance and the performance of others and refine and complete artistic work

MS General Music

Grades: 6-8

Length: 1 Quarter

Fee: Yes

Prerequisite: None

Course Description: Students enrolled in a Middle School General Music Course will acquire understanding of basic musical concepts and vocabulary and knowledge of music theory and music history. This will be done through listening, performing, creating, and critiquing through various musical experiences and explorations.

HS General Music

Grades: 9-12

Length: 1 Semester

Fee: No

Prerequisite: None

Course Description: Students enrolled in a High School General Music Course will acquire understanding of basic musical concepts and vocabulary and knowledge of music theory and music history. This will be done through listening, performing, creating, and critiquing through various musical experiences and explorations.

Jazz Band

Grades: 9-12

Length: 1 Semester

Credit: .5

Fee: Yes

Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in Concert Band

Course Description: The focus of this course offers students an exploration of various jazz styles, including swing, rock, Latin, funk, and contemporary. Students will have the opportunity to develop improvisational skills. Concurrent enrollment in Concert Band is a requirement for this course, unless the student has prior approval from the music teacher. This class may be repeated for credit.

Vocal Ensembles**Grades:** 9-12**Length:** 1 Semester**Credit:** .5**Fee:** Yes**Prerequisite:** None

Course Description: The focus of this course is to develop and refine artistic work for presentation and performance. Students will work on director-selected artistic works for solo voice and choral ensembles to improve their musical interpretation and performance, apply criteria to evaluate work, and refine and complete their artistic work. This class may be repeated for credit.

Instrumental Music**Grades:** 9-12**Length:** 1 Semester**Credit:** .5**Fee:** Yes**Prerequisite:** None

Course Description: The focus of this course is to develop and refine artistic work for presentation and performance. Students will work on their selected musical instrument to improve their performance, apply criteria to evaluate work, and refine and complete artistic work. This class may be repeated for credit.

Guitar**Grades:** 9-12**Length:** 1 Semester**Credit:** .5**Fee:** Yes**Prerequisite:** None

Course Description: The focus of guitar class is to develop and refine the skills to perform a variety of music on the guitar. Students will learn the skills to perform both rhythm and lead guitar on variety of repertoire selected by both the teacher and student. This class may be repeated for credit.