Effective Date: 2011-2012

Hamburg Area School District

Name of Course: Voice Class

Grade Level: 9-12

Department: Music Department Instructional Time: 90 days

Length of Course: 90 days Period Per Cycle: 5 days

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Texts and Resources:

The Book Of Tunes For Beginning Sight Reading/John M. Feierabend

The Actor Sings/ Kevin Robison

The Complete Choral Warm-Up Book/ Russell Robinson, Jay Althouse

Basics of Singing/ Jan Schmidt

Steps to Singing for Voice Class/ Royal Stanton

Assessments:

Written Tests and Quizzes

Musical Compositions

Notebooks

Performance Evaluations from peers and student

Journals

Projects

Time Line: One Semester

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Basics of Music
Basics of Singing
Sight Singing
Vocal Warm-Ups
Folk Songs
African-American Spirituals
Vocal Health and Vocal Mechanism
Broadway Musicals/Theatre

Opera

Foreign Languages: German Lieder, Italian Arias

Essential Content/ Essential Questions	Performance Objectives	Standards/Anchors
Develop and demonstrate advanced vocal practices and refine the use of the voice as an instrument	Sing vocal literature of an appropriate and increasingly difficult level, with expression and technical accuracy.	Grade 9-12 1. Singing, alone and with other, a varied repertoire of music.
Sing with increased technical accuracy and expression	Sing difficult vocal literature which requires advanced technical and interpretive skills, ability to perform various meters, keys, unusual meters, complex rhythms, and subtle	varied repertone of music.
Refine sight reading and ear training skills	dynamic requirements.	
Sing difficult vocal literature which requires advanced technical and interpretive skills, ability to perform in	Sing vocal literature representing diverse genres, styles, and cultures.	
various meters, keys, unusual meters, complex rhythms, and subtle dynamic requirements	Show respect for the singing efforts of others	
Sing vocal literature representing diverse genres, styles, and cultures		
A Preliminary Briefing for the Singer		
Why are You Self Conscious about singing?		
How to Build Confidence in Singing.		
The Vocal Mechanism		

Posture, The Larynx, The Registers, Vocal	
Chords in Vibration, The Resonating	
System, The Articulating System,	
Styles, Diction, Vocal Disorders, Keeping	
Voice Healthy, Warm-Ups, Sightsinging	
Folk Songs	
Simple Gifts, Greensleeves	
African-American Spirituals	
Let Us Break Bread, Drinking Gourd	
Broadway Musicals/Theatre	
Castle on a Cloud, Sunrise Sunset, What I	
Did For Love,	
Opera	
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Italian Arias	
Salti di Quinta, Caro Mio Ben	
Pop/Rock Music	
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Utilize instruments as appropriate Develop an understanding of vocal literature in relationship to history, culture, and other content areas Broadway Musicals/Theatre,Pop/Rock Music,Percussion, Guitar, Bass Instruments	Select and utilize appropriate instrumental accompaniments in a wide variety of historical and cultural styles. Show respect for the instrumental playing efforts of others	Grade 9-12 2. The learner will play on instruments, alone and with others, a varied repertoire of music.

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Essential Content/ Essential Questions	Performance Objectives	Standards/Anchors
Develop skills in improvising, composing and arranging music	Improvise variations of melodies and accompaniments in different styles, meters, and tonalities.	Grade 9-12 3. The learner will improvise melodies, variations, and
Apply reading and notating skills with traditional and non-traditional music	Show respect for the improvisational efforts of others.	accompaniments.
Develop an understanding of vocal literature in relationship to history, culture, and other content areas		
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Develop skills in improvising, composing and arranging music	Compose and arrange music incorporating appropriate voicings and ranges.	Grade 9-12 4. The learner will compose and arrange music within specified
Apply reading and notating skills with traditional and non-traditional music	Synthesize the study and characteristics of several styles/genres of music to create original compositions.	guidelines.
Develop an understanding of vocal literature in relationship to history, culture, and other content areas	Use a variety of sound, notational, and technological sources to compose and arrange music.	
Vocal Warm-Ups, Design a Vocal Warm- Up, Compose original vocal exercises.	Show respect for the composing and arranging efforts of others.	

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Sing difficult vocal literature which requires advanced technical and interpretive skills, ability to perform in various meters, keys, unusual meters, complex rhythms, and subtle dynamic requirements	Demonstrate the ability to read a vocal score of up to four staves by describing how the elements of music are used and explaining all transpositions and clefs. Sightread difficult musical examples with accuracy and	Grade 9-12 5. The learner will read and notate music.
Develop skills in improvising, composing and arranging music	expression. Notate moderately difficult music examples using standard	
Apply reading and notating skills with traditional and non-traditional music	notation. Read and interpret standard and non-standard notation.	
Sing vocal literature representing diverse genres, styles, and cultures	Create musical examples using non-standard notation.	
Develop an understanding of vocal literature in relationship to history, culture, and other content areas	Identify and define standard notation symbols for pitch, rhythm, dynamics, tempo, articulation, and expression.	
	Show respect for the reading and notating efforts of others.	
Glossary of Musical Terms, Basic Notation,		
The Staff, Treble and Bass Clef, Time		
Signatures and Note Values, Rests, Key		
Signatures, Dynamic Markings		

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Develop skills in listening to, analyzing, and evaluating musical experiences	Compare and contrast musical forms representing diverse genres and cultures.	Grade 9-12 6. The learner will listen to
Apply reading and notating skills with traditional and non-traditional music	Demonstrate extensive knowledge of the technical vocabulary of music	analyze, and describe music.
Develop an understanding of vocal literature in relationship to history, culture, and other content areas	Analyze and describe the elements of music in a given work that make it unique, interesting, and expressive.	
Recordings of different styles of music to include: Folk Songs, African-American	Demonstrate the ability to perceive and remember musical events by describing in detail significant events occurring in a given aural example.	
Spirituals Broadway Musicals/Theatre,Opera, Foreign Languages: German Lieder, Italian	Demonstrate auditory perceptual skills by conducting, moving, answering questions about, and describing aural examples of music.	
Arias,Pop/Rock Music Listening Journals	Show respect while listening to and analyzing music.	

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Sing vocal literature representing diverse genres, styles, and cultures	Apply specific criteria for making informed, critical evaluations of the quality and effectiveness of performances, compositions, arrangements, and	Grade 9-12 7. The learner will evaluate music and music performances.	
Develop skills in listening to, analyzing, and evaluating musical experiences	improvisations and apply the criteria to one's personal participation in music.	improvisations and apply the criteria to one's personal	and music performances.
Apply reading and notating skills with traditional and non-traditional music	Evaluate musical works by comparing, contrasting, and summarizing them in relation to similar or exemplary models.		
Develop an understanding of vocal literature in relationship to history, culture, and other content areas	Apply rules of standard English in written evaluations of music.		
Written and Verbal Evaluations, Performance Guidelines and Rubrics, Comment Sheets on Unit Performances.	Evaluate a given musical work in terms of its aesthetic qualities and explain the musical devices it used to evoke feelings and emotions. Show respect for the musical efforts and opinions of others.		

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Develop an understanding of vocal literature in relationship to history, culture, and other content areas Folk Songs, African-American Spirituals Broadway Musicals/Theatre Opera Foreign Languages: German Lieder, Italian Arias Pop/Rock Music	Compare and contrast using main ideas and supporting details to organize and communicate information about the uses of characteristic elements, artistic processes, and organizational principles among the arts areas in different historical periods and cultures. Generalize ways in which the concepts and skills of other content areas outside the arts are related to those of music. Synthesize and apply information from other content areas to facilitate musical understanding. Compare and contrast the roles of creators, performers, and others involved in the production and presentation of the arts. Demonstrate the character traits of responsibility, self-discipline, and perseverance while informally or formally participating in music.	8. The learner will understand relationships between music, the other arts, and content areas outside the arts.

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Sing vocal literature representing diverse genres, styles, and cultures	Classify unfamiliar yet representative examples of music using distinguishing characteristics to identify genre, style, culture and/or historical periods; justify the reasons for the	9-12 Grade 9. The learner will understand music in relation to history and
Utilize instruments as appropriate	classifications.	culture.
Develop skills in listening to, analyzing, and evaluating musical experiences	Explain how music has evolved over time.	
Develop an understanding of vocal literature in relationship to history, culture, and other content areas	Examine patterns, relationships, and trends in music of various cultures and historical periods to draw inferences and make predictions about social outcomes.	
Folk Songs, African-American Spirituals	Show respect for music from various cultures and time	
Broadway Musicals/Theatre	periods.	
Opera		
Foreign Languages: German Lieder, Italian		
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