

Piano/Ukulele/Guitar Syllabus

Mr. Holt

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Objectives:

- To learn how to play basic melodies and harmonizations on piano, ukulele, and guitar
- To develop healthy practice skills and playing habits with correct technique
- To grow in knowledge of reading music, music theory, aural skills, & performance skills

Requirements:

- A passion for music and for learning more about music and musical instruments
- A desire to work hard and practice your instrument to become a better musician
- A willingness to explore a wide variety of music styles and genres

Choir Room Policies:

- Be a kind, positive, and hard-working music student all the time
- Let Mr. Holt know if you are having a bad day or if you need help with anything
- No gum, food, drinks, or cell phones allowed out during instruction time
- Keep the choir room clean and keep up with your belongings
- Be completely focused during instruction time and practice time (no talking or working on anything else)

Consequences:

- Focus grade will be lowered
- Conference in teacher's office
- Parent notification
- Detention/ office referral

Grading:

- 40% Minor Grades
 - Bi-weekly Focus Grade (staying focused and working hard during instruction and practice time)
- 60% Major Grades
 - Book Checks
 - End of Unit Performances
 - Song Creation Project

No Supplies Needed- instruments and folder with music are provided. Not required to have any instruments at home

Schedule:

- 1st half of semester: basics of reading music, piano skills (alternating sheet music and chord charts), piano performance
- 2nd half of semester: ukulele skills, ukulele performance; guitar skills, music technology project, guitar performance (as final exam)