

Wallenpaupack Area School District

COURSE: Music

GRADE LEVEL: Kindergarten

LENGTH OF COURSE: 18 Classes/40 Minutes Per Class

TEXT: The Music Connection

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Four and five year old children are becoming socially conscious. Appropriate music-making experiences include group activities such as singing and playing song games and playing classroom instruments. Opportunities for individual exploration of voice, body, nature, and instrument sounds are included. Movement is the most effective means for children of this age to describe their musical experiences. They enjoy playing with ideas, movements, language, and sounds. Music activities that allow opportunities for free exploration provide the most positive foundation for creative musical growth later.

AREAS OF STUDY:

Rhythm
Melody
Dynamics
Timbre
Form
Texture
Culture/History
Public Performance

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Course: Music
Unit: Rhythm

Grade Level: Grade K
PA Standard: 9.1
9.3
9.4

| Topics: | Skills: |
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| Beat Tempo Notation | Clap steady beat Identify quarter notes Identify eighth notes Identify changing tempos Identify long and short notes |
| Activities: | Performance Assessments: |
| Play rhythm instruments Accompany music using quarter and eighth notes Notes using words to fit long/short patterns Group movement (to the beat) Individual movement (to the beat) Clapping Walking Marching Skipping Hopping Dancing Play body percussion | Teacher observation Student Participation |

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Course: Music
Unit: Melody

Grade Level: Grade K
PA Standard: 9.1
9.3
9.4

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| Topics: Singing | Skills: Sing so-mi melodies Echo Pentatonic melodies Identify high and low sounds |
| Activities: Echo songs Hand signals for mi/sol Bells for pentatonic scale Movement of notes – up, down, stays the same Singing | Performance Assessments: Teacher observation Student participation |

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Course: Music
Unit: Dynamics

Grade Level: Grade K
PA Standard: 9.1
9.3
9.4

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| Topics: | Skills: |
| Sound | Identify loud/soft Movement to reflect loud/soft |
| Activities: | Performance Assessments: |
| Singing Playing classroom instruments Improvising movements to recreate loud/soft Listening examples | Teacher observation Student participation |

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Course: Music
Unit: Timbre

Grade Level: Grade K
PA Standard: 9.1
9.3
9.4

| Topics: | Skills: |
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| Classroom instruments | Identify instruments by name and sound Use instruments Produce sounds |
| Activities: | Performance Assessments: |
| Demonstrate instruments Identify by sight and sound Identify by sight from recording | Teacher observation |

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Course: Music
Unit: Form

Grade Level: Grade K
PA Standard: 9.3
9.4

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| Topics: Two part forms Improvisation | Skills: Identify contrasts Use movement to show two part forms |
| Activities: Move to music in two parts Dancing Movement Listening Conducting two different sections Using instruments to differentiate sections | Performance Assessments: Teacher observation Student participation |

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Course: Music
Unit: Texture

Grade Level: Grade K
PA Standard: 9.1
9.3
9.4

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| Topics: Bordun Melody (singing) with and without accompaniment | Skills: Play a bordun on barred instrument |
| Activities: Create steady beat with rhythm instruments Accompany songs with rhythm instruments Singing Rote teaching | Performance Assessments: Teacher observation Student participation |

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Course: Music
Unit: Culture/History

Grade Level: Grade K
PA Standard: 9.1
9.2
9.3
9.4

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| Topics: | Skills: |
| Genre/style Historical periods Cultures Audience behavior | Identify music in daily experiences Identify characteristics that make music suitable for specific use Demonstrate appropriate behavior for context and style of music performed |
| Activities: | Performance Assessments: |
| Listening Signing Audience behavior | Teacher observation Student participation |

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Course: Music
Unit: Public Performance

Grade Level: Grade K
PA Standard: 9.1
9.2
9.3
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| Topics: | Skills: |
| Yearly public performance | Perform variety of songs learned and memorized |
| Activities: | Performance Assessments: |
| Signing Movement | Classroom participation Attendance at public performance Appropriate participation |