

Milton High School World of Music 2024-2025 Handbook



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World of Music Objective

Through the appreciation of music, students will explore the musical traditions of the American and global communities around the world through study of trends, focusing on the function of music within various cultures (e.g., jazz, world drumming, mariachi, soul, gamelan, Bollywood, digital, techno, emo, dubstep, yada yada etc). Students examine and report on human activities involving music, technology, and culture-related influences on music, and the sounds and structures of music composition.

Materials:

- 1 duo-tang folder with pockets
- Pencil
- Highlighter
- Loose-leaf paper
- Textbook (to be assigned; unreturned textbooks \$48)

Mrs. White-Rider's Classroom Expectations and Consequences:

• EXPECTATIONS & WAYS TO MEET THEM:

- 1. Be polite and respectful
- 2. Don't be a distraction
- 3. No food, gum, or drinks (other than water)
- 4. Phones ZIPPED or PARKED
- 5. Be prompt, prepared, and positive

** Students should only leave classroom with permission. Student must fill out planner before Mrs. White-Rider signs.

**Bathroom Policy- In order to avoid missing classroom instructional time, students are to use the restroom before or after class. If a student has a medical need re: bathroom, then it must be documented in the student's school file so that additional measures will be put into place to assist the student.

** Cell phones: Cell phones must be put on silent and parked in the phone parking lot on Mrs. White-Rider's office door. If your phone becomes visible at any time, you will be written up.

** You may have only your WoM materials out during the entire class time (nothing from other classes)

** Materials responsibility: Students are to have book, folder, and pencil with them every day in class.

Assignments are given daily and it is the student's responsibility to keep up with his/her own paperwork until it is submitted for a grade.

• A breakdown of the top 5, so there is no grey area:

- You WILL be separate from your cell phone during class time.
- Be on time and prepared by the time the bell rings.

- Be seated in your assigned seat for roll. If Mrs. White-Rider cannot visually confirm your presence in your assigned seat, you will be marked absent.
- Place all non-piano related belongings at the back of the classroom before the bell rings. This includes cell phones.
- Do not raise your hand to go to the bathroom; instead, point at the door, wait for instructor's acknowledgement and permission. A cheerful disposition is an excellent way to gain permission.
- Wait for the instructor's direction before you pack up your belongings
- If you are late, please enter the room quietly and do not be a #2.
- When Mrs. White-Rider signals that it is time to begin, immediately stop what you are doing and give all attention to instructor.
- Water is the only acceptable permitted beverage
- All food must be finished outside the class room unless it is a class-celebration day

Discipline Policy:

1st offense: Verbal warning

2nd offense: Teacher/Student conference. Parent/Guardian will also be notified

3rd offense: Office referral

Behavior:

If a student has been given OSS they will NOT be permitted to attend any field trips for the remainder of the year. If a student does not get ISS or OSS but misbehaves in class, has consistently shown poor behavior, and has referrals from other teachers, Mrs. White-Rider has the discretion of removing them from any field trips.

Tardy Policy:

Students must be in the classroom on time. Tardies are handled according to the school policy.

CLASSROOM PROCEDURES:

1. Entry procedure:

- a. Upon entrance, students are to:
 - i. collect materials, then set it at assigned seat
 - ii. place all bookbags, purses, etc in the back of the classroom at the beginning of class.
- b. Return to your assigned seat with the following:
 - i. folder
 - ii. Pencil
 - iii. loose-leaf paper
 - iv. textbook
- c. By the bell: Students should be in their chairs, silently engaged in assignment

2. Read the board/projector:

- a. Note the agenda and any daily instructions
- b. Begin assignment and wait for further instruction

3. **Cues:** When you hear your instructor speaking, stop what you're doing and listen for instruction to begin. For successful and productive instruction, remember to follow cues and rules.

4. Dismissal:

- a. Wait for the instructor to dismiss at the end of class
- b. If directed, turn in any materials
- c. If necessary, submit Exit ticket on your way out

GRADING POLICY:

50% - Participation

30% - Written Tests

20% - Classwork

100% ~ Semester/Six-Weeks Total

(35% Final Exam)

Grades will be given based on the following criteria:

1.) Participation (50%)-

- a. This is a discussion-based class with notes being a key part of your takeaway.
- b. Each student begins every week with 100 points as part of their weekly participation grade.
- c. The student will keep their 100 if they participate by listening, taking notes, engaging in classroom activities, focusing on classwork when assigned, and doing what is asked of them.
- d. If the student in any way is a distraction to their peers, or is not on task (i.e. not participating, doing work from another class, eating food, late to class, etc) 10 points will be deducted and a disciplinary measure will be taken.

2.) Weekly Assessments (Assignments) (20%)-

- a. Weekly assignments will be given.
- b. AND they come in many forms (written, group work, projects, etc.)

3.) Tests/Quizzes (30%)- A chapter test will be given at the end of each chapter, with the exception of a few short chapters which are combined for testing. Most chapter studies conclude on Wednesday, Thursday is designated review day, and Friday is test day. ...usually.

MAKE-UP WORK:

It is the student's responsibility to gather info about any missed work. Any missed work must be made up within the number of days the student has missed (ex. If student is absent 2 days, they will have 2 days to complete assignment).

Panther Pride: MHS's expectations

- ***Be Present:*** *Be where you need to be, be on time, and be mindful of your surroundings and purpose in this very moment.*
- ***Respect yourself, your teacher, & your peers.*** *Gain respect by being respectful.*
- ***Have Integrity:*** *Take responsibility for your actions.*
- ***Be Determined:*** *Be prepared to give your best effort and NEVER give up*
- ***Demand Excellence:*** *be an active participant in your education. "Talent is cheaper than table salt. What separates the talented individual from the successful one is a lot of hard work."-Stephen King*

Student Signature of Acknowledgment:

I have read and agree to the terms of the Music World class for the 2023-2024 school year.

Student PRINTED name: _____ Book Number: _____

Student signature: _____ Date: _____

