



# Music History and Appreciation

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## Prerequisites:

- This course is open to 8th-12th grade students.



## Course Description:

Music Appreciation is a two semester class that will allow students with musical ability and experience or students with no musical experience to be in the same classroom learning about various aspects of music. Students will learn about music theory, multiple music genres, origins and history of music, the artistic impressions of music and many more areas of musical interpretation.



## Commitment:

- This course meets once a week and is a 1.0 credit course that meets for the entire school year.
- Each student will be required to participate in discussions about musical interpretation, learning some music theory, and being quizzed on basic music theory and origins.
- Class participation, notebook assembly, and occasional quizzes will be the main components of the grade.



## A typical class will look like...

We will spend class time listening to various types of music, discussing the themes and musical components of songs, in addition to studying theory and lyrical interpretation/origin of hymns, some popular arrangements, and classical compositions. This class offers history of music focusing on society and culture during each genre of music inception, pioneers in each genre, and its effect on listeners.



## Books and Supplies

no textbook required

- plastic 3-ring folder with clear plastic sleeve protectors