

Botetourt Elementary Music Syllabus

Class Information

Teacher Name: Mr. Carroll

Grade Level and Subject Area: Music, Pre-K through 5th grade

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Teacher Introduction

This will be my first year teaching at Botetourt Elementary and I could not be more excited to work with all of you. Music began as my hobby and became a lifelong passion, which I cannot wait to share with my students.

Class Description

My goal this year is to focus on a project based approach to music learning. Students will learn about rhythm, musical form, and various instruments through experiences which allow them to be creative and inquisitive. The project in all classes this year will be to compose songs individually and together using various musical mediums, which we can then perform for families and record for the students to keep.

Pre-K classes will focus on introductory music experiences that incorporate movement and storytelling. This is an engaging way for them to have fun while learning music, while also preparing them for further exploration in the following years.

Kindergarten and first grade students will focus on foundational music concepts using games and interactive storytelling. As the year progresses, students will have opportunities to learn and create music through project based experiences.

Grade 2-3 Music focuses on rhythmic and melodic concepts during the first 8 weeks to prepare them for future project based experiences. Next we will implement 4 week units to learn and create music using instruments, technology, and voice.

Grade 4 is when we start recorders, but this has been delayed to the second semester. We will also start using ukuleles in class this year to learn songs and create original compositions.

In grade 5 Music, every student will be able to create individual and group compositions using multiple musical mediums by the end of year.

Class Schedule

Weekly Music time is 40 minutes; All Grades will have a review, the introduction of a new concept, and the creation of a new artifact over 3-4 class meetings. Long term projects will also be implemented to prepare students for performances.

Resource Schedule

5th 9:05-9:45

PreK 9:50-10:20

4th 11:00-11:40

Kinder. 12:15-12:55

1st 12:25-2:05

3rd 2:10-2:50

2nd 2:55-3:35

School Expectations

Practice kindness, act responsibly, while showing respect.

Music Class Expectations

Always do your best.

Respect yourself and others

Take care of your instruments.

Homework

We do not have homework in music class but suggestions and resources for enrichment will be posted each quarter.

Grading Policy

Standards-based ratings are collected each 9 weeks based on the demonstration of key skills and concepts during class time.

Supplies

All materials for music will be provided in class.

Miscellaneous Information

Please feel free to contact me with any questions regarding additional music resources or suggestions if you are seeking private music lessons for your students.