**General Music 7/8 – Year 1 of Rotation**

 The seventh and eighth grade general music classes are combined this year with students from both grades in a class. The curriculum for 7/8 general music will be on a two year rotation so that the students do not cover the same material twice. The curriculum this year will include:

1. Classical Music – Periods of classical music

Classical Musicians

Classical Music Characteristics

Classical Music and other Arts

Classical Music and Society

1. History of Jazz – Jazz Characteristics

Jazz Styles and Periods

Jazz Artists

Jazz and Society

1. Musical Theater - History of Musical Theater

 Musical Theater composers and lyricists

 Lighting, Scene Design, Make-Up, Costuming

 Popular Broadway shows and casts

1. Guitar / Keyboard Using school instruments, the students will learn:

 How the Guitar works

 Different types of guitar

 Basic Guitar Techniques

**Classroom Environment**

Students will be expected to : 1. Treat others with respect.

 2. Behave appropriately in class.

 3. Bring the correct materials.

 4. Be on time.

 5. Follow the rules in the student handbook (cell phones and dress).

If a student does not follow these rules, the result will be:

1. Verbal Warning
2. Teacher Detention
3. If no show for detention, phone call home with referral.
4. Students using cell phones will be excused to the office to hand in their phone.

**Grading Policy**

Students will be graded on the following:

75% = Summative Assessments (tests, quizzes, projects)

15% = Formulative Assessments (class assignments, group work)

10% = Folder Grade

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