Kickapoo Elementary School Music Grades 4-5

Mrs. Miller

Welcome to another exciting year at Kickapoo Elementary School. This handout outlines the requirements for your child’s music grade. Your child will be graded on the following criteria:

1/4 of grade: Singing/Instrumental Performance

1/4 of grade: Creation/Evaluation

1/4 of grade: Notation /Reading

1/4 of grade: Cooperation/Participation

# Vocal /Instrumental Performance

* Singing independently on pitch and in rhythm, sometimes while others sing different parts
* Singing expressively, blending with others using correct dynamics and interpretation
* Playing and performing a variety of instruments with correct dynamics and interpretation as well as a deep understanding how each produce sound

**Creation/Evaluation**

* Students will analyze music to formulate opinions, learn, and describe what they hear in the music through pictures, words and movement.
* Learning to analyze a piece of music and evaluate it based on certain criteria

**Reading/Notation**

* Reading , writing and understanding music notation per their grade requirements
* Identifying and using symbols and terms for dynamics, tempo, time signature, and articulation

**Cooperation/Participation**

* Students will behave in an appropriate manner at all times
* Students will play instruments, move, and sing when instructed to do so

**More specific grade level skills and knowledge can be found on my school website at:** [**http://kickapoomusicmix.yolasite.com**](http://kickapoomusicmix.yolasite.com) **under the “general music” heading.**

I look forward to working with your child this year!

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