



Content Area: Music

Grade Level: 3

Course Name: Music 3

Course Description:

All students are enrolled in 3rd grade Music, per New York State Education Department requirements for elementary school courses of study. This class meets twice in the six-day rotation for 30 minutes each, all year.

Students create musical ideas with their voices and bodies, they build a foundation of music literacy in reading and understanding simple notation, use singing and instruments to express their ideas and others' through music, and respond to music through a variety of ways. They connect music to other learning and to their daily lives, experiences, and cultures.

Skills	Description
Steady Beat	Students keep a steady rhythmic pulse through their bodies and voices, and on instruments. They learn to recognize strong and weak beats and organizations of meter (i.e., 4/4, 3/4).
Varied Sounds	Students identify and use major and minor tonalities, and learn pentatonic scales. They practice the recognition and production of Kodaly solfege syllable patterns (i.e., Sol-Mi).

Skills	Description
Use of the Voice	Students use the upper part of their singing range called the head voice in a wide variety of classroom songs.
Pulse	Students identify, perform, and compose with basic rhythmic notation, using Kodaly rhythm syllables (Ta, Ti-ti). They connect foundational math concepts to rhythmic understanding (i.e., through ties).
Movement	Students experience music through active listening, dance, body percussion, chord borduns, broken borduns, crossover borduns, folk dances, alley dances, and canons.

NYS Standard	Links
NYS Arts Standards for General Music	http://www.nysed.gov/common/nysed/files/programs/curriculum-instruction/nys-music-at-a-glance-final-8.2.2017-high-res-v2.pdf