North Colonie Curriculum Overview



Content Area: Music Grade Level: 6

Course Name: Music 6

Course Description:

All students are enrolled in Music 7, per New York State Education Department requirements for middle school courses of study. This course meets every other day for one semester.

Units Length of Time	Description
Ukulele	In the ukulele unit, students will review basic rhythmic reading skills and learn to apply these skills as they develop new skills on the instrument. Students will perform individually and as a group in a mixed repertoire of music.
Film scoring	In the film scoring unit, students will explore film scores and composers, and use available technology to edit and mix sounds and music for film.
Drumming	Students will explore percussion instruments from the African continent, with a focus on West African drums and drum circle traditions. Students will compose, arrange, and improvise on the drums, and work together to build original compositions.

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