## **North Colonie Curriculum Overview**



Content Area: Music Grade Level: 7

Course Name: Music 7

## 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
Guitar (6-7 weeks)	In the two instrument units, students will learn new skills that will allow them to perform on the instruments (electric keyboard and acoustic guitar) at a beginner level. In the guitar unit, students will be introduced to the guitar and gain skills to perform simple chordal accompaniments. Students will perform individually and as a class on a mixed repertoire of folk/rock music.
Keyboard (6-7 weeks)	In the Keyboard unit, students will be introduced to playing keyboard and gain skills to perform melodies and simple accompaniments. Students will perform individually and as a class. Advanced piano students may incorporate piano music from private lessons.

Units - Length of Time	Description
Musical Theater (6- 7 weeks)	This unit will develop an understanding and appreciation of the elements and history of this musical genre. Students will learn about specific musicals and identify themes and differences across them. They will use listening exercises, various projects, and available technology.

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