

MS ORCHESTRA (6th – 8th)

Scope and Sequence 2018-2019

Course Description: Middle school orchestra is a course of study which introduces and develops musical concepts and skills related to instrumental music. Students learn to play a string instrument and perform music. Students are placed in performing ensembles after the beginner year based on auditions. Participation in a performing group offers the students the opportunity to experience a high level of teamwork, develop a high degree of personal responsibility, and acquire leadership skills.

Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills: [Music TEKS](#)

| Instructional Units | Days** | |
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| First Semester | 78 | End Date |
| 1 st Grading Period – Tonal Development, Technical Development, Rhythmic Development, Ensemble Development, Musicianship, Theory, Team Skills, Performances – All Ongoing. | 08/27/2018 | 10/19/2018 |
| *2 nd Grading Period – Tonal Development, Technical Development, Rhythmic Development, Ensemble Development, Musicianship, Theory, Team Skills, Performances – All Ongoing. | 10/22/2018 | 12/21/2018 |
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| Second Semester | 95 | End Date |
| 3 rd Grading Period – Tonal Development, Technical Development, Rhythmic Development, Ensemble Development, Musicianship, Theory, Team Skills, Performances – All Ongoing. | 01/07/2019 | 03/08/2019 |
| *4 th Grading Period – Tonal Development, Technical Development, Rhythmic Development, Ensemble Development, Musicianship, Theory, Team Skills, Performances – All Ongoing. | 03/18/2019 | 05/30/2019 |
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* Includes time for Final Exams.

**The length of each unit is a specific number of days, but it is understood that there is a range of +/- a day. The purpose of the flexibility is meant to allow teachers the opportunity to plan for the needs of their students and to accommodate re-teaching or review when necessary. If pre-assessment indicates student mastery could be obtained in a fewer number of days, the additional time could be used for extension or carried into the next unit.

Instructional Material(s):

Adopted Materials