

# 2023-2024 School Year Intro to Music LHS/CCC

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**Course Mission:** An introduction and overview of the history of Western art music, from the Middle Ages to modern times. Includes the elements of music, historical style periods, and major composers and selected works.

**Objective and Description** - This course is designed to teach the following:

- Identify the Fundamental Elements of Music  
Melody, Rhythm, Harmony, Texture, Form, Tempo, Dynamics
- Identify Musical Instruments and Musical Ensembles  
Four Instrument Families, Bands, Orchestras, Choirs, Chamber Ensembles
- Explain the musical culture of the Middle Ages
- Explain the musical culture of the Renaissance Era
- Explain the musical culture of the Baroque Era
- Explain the musical culture of the Classical Era
- Explain the musical culture of the Romantic Era

Though you are taking this course through LHS (Lexington High School), this is a college course. You will be treated as a college student and expected to be responsible for your course work, attendance and attention in class as such. As a high school student, you may be used to opportunities for extra credit and assignment or test retakes. Those opportunities will not be available through this course. A significant portion of your final grade will be the average of Unit Test scores. Preparation for Unit Tests is essential to success in this class. It will be very difficult to compensate for a failed test grade through other, daily work. Your attention during lectures, taking daily notes and your commitment to reading each chapter carefully will be important.

## **Grading Procedures –**

**Quarter Grades** will be figured using the following criteria:

- 50% Exams
- 25% Chapter Quizzes (Inquizitive)
- 25% Weekly Writing (and all other assignments)

**Semester Grades** will be figured using the following criteria:

- First Quarter Grade: 45%
- Second Quarter Grade: 45%
- Semester Test Grade: 10%

*All school rules and policies apply to the Intro to Music classroom and are expected to be followed.*

## **Required Materials:**

- School issued iPad with access to Google Classroom
- School issued online textbook ***The Enjoyment of Music; 14<sup>th</sup> Edition*** by Kristine Forney, Admrew Dell'Antonio, Joseph Machlis.