

MUSIC THEORY

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Music Theory is a course that teaches students how to read and write music. You will have the opportunity to read music, perform music, and compose in this semester.

GOALS OF THIS CLASS

1. To make music!
2. To establish a comfortable learning environment for everyone
3. To promote creativity, cooperation, respect, and self-esteem
4. To refine the essential skills of music (melody, rhythm, harmony, reading, note names, dynamics, expression, etc.)
5. To encourage musical performance throughout life regardless of alternate career paths

SPECIAL NEEDS

Mansfield High School is equipped with many helpful aids for students requiring special needs considerations. If there are any considerations I can incorporate please inform me immediately.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

- Attendance every day is essential to keep up with the work in any music class. Any material you miss must be made up within five school days or it will turn into a zero.
- Long term absences should be communicated to Mr. Faust immediately so work can be sent home

CLASS EXPECTATIONS

1. Express yourself through music and leave the rest at the door.
2. **Be in your seat when the bell rings** (or at assigned time)
 - You will not be marked present if you arrive late without a pass
 - **Three tardies will result in a detention**
3. Bring your notebook and a pencil
 - You will be responsible for your own notebook. Each day you do not have your music or a pencil you will lose one point
 - **RANDOM CHECKS FOR NOTEBOOKS WILL OCCUR!**
 - If you lose your notebook, contact Mr. Faust IMMEDIATELY!
4. Do not speak out of turn.
 - You will be expected to raise your hand at all times.
5. Be positive and participate!
 - We are here to learn about music so let's do it!

CELL PHONES

CELL PHONES WILL NOT BE TOLERATED IN CLASS. **THEY WILL BE CONFISCATED!!**

WEBSITE AND EMAIL

Refer to the website or Mr. Faust's email (SFAUST@SOUTHERTIOGA.ORG) for any questions, comments, or concerns.

www.mhstigermusic.com

GRADING

Homework –

- If your homework is due and you are absent, it is due the **next day** you are in school
- If you are absent and homework is assigned, it is due the day after it is assigned unless otherwise stated
- Homework will not be accepted late

Positive Participation & Preparation – Participating in class discussion, singing and performing in class, **bringing notebook to class EVERY DAY.**

Quizzes – Paper quizzes, singing quizzes, performance quizzes

Notebook – Bring your notebook every day. You will be placing a lot of handouts in here.

Tests – These will be assessments of your cumulative knowledge throughout the course.

Projects – Composition projects, computer projects, etc.

THANK YOU

Let's all follow the rules so we can focus on having an exceptional class. Please contact me by email with any questions, comments, or concerns. This is an exciting semester so get ready to make some excellent music!

MHS THEORY 'Fact or Crap' Game

Fact #1: _____

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