

Welcome to Class Piano

Fall 2018

Instructor: Mrs. Flory

The piano is the standard instrument in the world of western music. Understanding how it creates music opens the door to numerous possibilities.

Class Objectives:

- To gain a foundational understanding and basic skills in playing the piano
- To understand beginning music theory through learning the piano

How the Class is Graded:

30% Written Work

- Completing and turning in homework and assignment.

20% Written Quizzes

- There will be tests/quizzes involving reading music, rhythms, and commonly used musical terms.

50% Playing Tests

- This class is set up so that the student sets the pace. Students are required to pass off at least one song per week.
- There are two required live performances. One will be at the end of the first quarter and the other will be of your own composition at the end of the semester as a part of your EOC.

The Final Exam will represent 10% of the semester grade.

If a student is absent from class then h/she will need to make up the missed practice time by doing one of the following:

1. Practicing the piano at home (if the student has a piano or keyboard) for a half-hour per day absent. The student then brings a note signed by a parent indicating the time practiced, **OR**
2. The student can perform a piano piece they have learned for the class on Fridays. The piece simply needs to be approved by Mrs. Flory.

I look forward to this semester and working with each of you to learn the beauty of music through the piano. Please do not hesitate to email me any questions or concerns.

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