

Content Area	Course: Year 2 Orchestra	Grade Level: Second Year
Instrumental Music – Orchestra	R14 The Seven Cs of Learning	Collaboration Character Communication Critical Thinking Creativity Curiosity
Unit Titles	Leng	th of Unit
Instrumental Development	 Ongoing 	
Rhythm	• Ongoing	
Melody & Harmony	• Ongoing	
• Form	• Ongoing	
Style and Expression	• Ongoing	
Composing & Arranging	• 2-3 weeks	
Improvisation	• Ongoing	
Performance Technique & Etiquette	• Ongoing	



Strands	Course Level Expectations*
Create	 The creative ideas, concepts, and feelings that influence musicians' work emerge from a variety of sources. Musicians can generate creative ideas, make creative decisions, and know when to share. Musicians evaluate, and refine their work through openness to new ideas, persistence, and the application of appropriate criteria. Musicians' presentation of creative work is the culmination of a process of creation and communication
Perform	 Performers' interest in and knowledge of musical works, understanding of their own technical skill, and the context for a performance influence the selection of repertoire. Analyzing creators' context and how they manipulate elements of music provides insight into their intent and informs performance. Performers make interpretive decisions based on their understanding of context and expressive intent. To express their musical ideas, musicians analyze, evaluate, and refine their performance over time through openness to new ideas, persistence, and the application of appropriate criteria. Musicians judge performance based on criteria that vary across time, place, and cultures. The context and how a work is presented influence the audience response. Response to music is informed by analyzing context (social, cultural and historical) and how creators and performers manipulate the elements of music
Respond	 Individuals' selection of musical works is influenced by their interests, experiences, understandings, and purposes. The personal evaluation of musical works and performances is informed by analysis, interpretation, and established criteria.
Connecting	 Musicians connect their personal interests, experiences, ideas, and knowledge to creating, performing, and responding. Understanding connections to varied contexts and daily life enhances musicians' creating, performing, and responding.

^{*}Expectations span Grades K-8 and are based on the National Coalition Core for Art Standards

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nit Title Instrumental Development Length of Unit Ongoing		
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Inquiry Questions (Engaging & Debatable)	 How does understanding the structure and context of musical works inform performance? When is a performance judged ready to to present? How do context and the manner in which musical work is presented influence audience response? What musical skills need to be developed in order to become a musical listener and participant?
Standards*	Perform:
	Analyze: MU:Pr4.2.E.5a, Present: MU:Pr6.1.E.5a
Unit Strands &	Instrument care and maintenance,
Concepts	Proper sound production,
	Posture, finger & bow placement,
	Time signatures and music symbols
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Key Vocabulary	time signature (meter), bar line, measure, ledger line, staff, treble, alto, or bass clef, final bar line, repeat sign, common time, 2/4 time, warm-up, and double bar, down bow, up bow
	The knowledge of the following vocabulary is based on student's instrument choice: strings, scroll, pegs, peg box, nut, fingerboard, neck, upper bout, "c" bout, "f" hole, bridge, sound post, fine tuners, tailpiece chinrest, end button, endpin, rosin, shoulder rest, parts of the bow (ie, tip, stick, bow hair, winding, adjusting scroll, ferrule, and frog), guitar position, shoulder position, shifting, 1st position, 3rd position

^{*}Standards based on National Coalition for Core Art Standards

For more information visit: https://nafme.org/wp-content/files/2014/06/1-Core-Music-Standards-PreK-81.pdf

Unit Title	Instrumental Development	Length of Unit	Ongoing

Critical Content: My students will Know	Key Skills: My students will be able to (Do)
 proper care and maintenance of their instrument fingerings as related to student's instrument appropriate posture related to student's instrument D and G major major key signature 	 analyze creators' context and how they manipulate elements of music provides insight into their intent and informs performance. demonstrate proper bow technique demonstrate accurate posture, hand, and finger placement perform G and D major scale in whole notes, half notes, quarter notes, and eighth notes identify and demonstrate g string notes in relation to elementary finger pattern of whole steps and half steps perform musical examples on their instruments in key signatures and time signatures commonly found at the elementary level identify parts of the instrument demonstrate proper assembly, care, and maintenance of their instrument apply a controlled bow pressure resulting in an even tone across the different strings.

Assessments:	Parts of the Instrument Assessment, Music Symbol Assessment, Teacher Observation, Regular performance tasks, weekly formative assessment of skill development in rehearsal and lessons
Teacher Resources:	Essential Elements for Strings Book 1 - Michael Allen, Robert Gillespie, Pamela Tellejohn Hayes. Arrangements by John Higgins

Unit Title	Rhythm	Length of Unit	Ongoing
Inquiry Questions (Engaging & Debatable)	 How do performers select repertoire? How does understanding the structure and context of muse. How do we discern the musical creators' and performers'. How can students read and understand a piece of music? 		performance?
Standards	Preform: Select: MU:Pr4.1.E.5a Analyze: MU:Pr4.2.E.5a		
Unit Strands &	Rhythm literacy,		
Concepts	Rhythm in simple duple meter,		
	Dotted rhythms		
Key Vocabulary	eighth note, quarter note, half note, whole note and correspond sight reading, dot, dotted half note, pick up note, metronome	ling rests, bar line,	measure, time signature,

Unit Title	Rhythm	Length of Unit	Ongoing

Critical Content: My students will Know	Key Skills: My students will be able to (Do)
 rhythmic combinations including whole notes & rests, half notes & rests, quarter notes & rests, eighth notes the following time signatures: 4/4, C, 2/4, 3/4 	 select repertoire based on performers' interest in and knowledge of musical works, understanding of their own technical skill, and the context for a performance analyze creator's context and how they manipulate elements of music by providing insight into their intent and informing performance provide clues to their expressive intent through their use of elements and structures of music. analyze, perform, and enumerate Level 2 rhythms in 4/4 and 3/4 accurately perform and enumerate the following rhythmic notes and their corresponding rests: whole, half, dotted half and quarter in 4/4, ¾ and 2/4 visually and aurally identify the following notes and their corresponding rests: whole, half, and quarter explain the value of a dot next to a note

Assessments:	Rhythm worksheets, teacher observation of student performance around rhythm, weekly formative assessments
Teacher Resources:	Essential Elements for Strings Book 1 - Michael Allen, Robert Gillespie, Pamela Tellejohn Hayes. Arrangements by John Higgins Sight Reading Factory

Unit Title	Melody & Harmony	Length of Unit	Ongoing
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Inquiry Questions (Engaging & Debatable)	 How do performers select repertoire? How does understanding the structure and context of musical works inform performance? How do we discern the musical creators' and performers' expressive intent? How can students read and understand a piece of music?
Standards	Preform: Select: MU:Pr4.1.E.5a, Analyze: MU:Pr4.2.E.5a Respond: Interpret: MU:Re8.1.E.5a
Unit Strands & Concepts	 Melody vs. harmony, Solfege, Phrasing, Sight-singing and sight reading
Key Vocabulary	sharp, natural, retake, duet, harmony, unison, key signature, interval, octave, musical phrase, accidental, courtesy accidental

Unit Title	Melody & Harmony	Length of Unit	Ongoing

Critical Content: My students will Know	Key Skills: My students will be able to (Do)
 melodic vs. harmonic passages the characteristics of melodic contour within typical elementary repertoire common chord progressions found in elementary repertoire dissonance vs. consonance solfege syllables that align with the notes learned on the instrument 	 select repertoire based on performers' interest in and knowledge of musical works, understanding of their own technical skill, and the context for a performance. analyze creator's context and how they manipulate elements of music by providing insight into their intent and informing performance provide clues to their expressive intent through their use of elements and structures of music analyze melodic vs. harmonic lines in their music analyze and perform simple harmonic lines using I IV, and V chords sing melodies using solfege syllables in major identify and demonstrate the appropriate fingerings for notes of the staff interpret musical notation and translate into instrumental performance

Assessments:	Performance assessments of solo and ensemble repertoire, weekly formative assessments,
Teacher Resources:	Essential Elements for Strings Book 1 - Michael Allen, Robert Gillespie, Pamela Tellejohn Hayes. Arrangements by John Higgins Sight Reading Factory

Length of Ont	Unit Title	Form	Length of Unit	Ongoing
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Inquiry Questions (Engaging & Debatable)	 How do performers interpret musical works? How do individuals choose music to experience? How do we discern the musical creators' and performers' expressive intent?
Standards	Preform: Interpret: MU:Pr4.3.E.5a Respond: Select: MU:Re7.1.E.5a, Analyze: MU:Re7.2.E.5a, Interpret: MU:Re8.1.E.5a
Unit Strands & Concepts	Musical Form, Musical Endings
Key Vocabulary	round/canon, AB (binary), ABA (Ternary), Rondo, Theme & Variation, 1st and 2nd Endings, DC al Fine, DS al Fine

Unit Title	Form	Length of Unit	Ongoing

Critical Content: My students will Know	Key Skills: My students will be able to (Do)
 response to music is informed by analyzing context (social, cultural, and historical) and how creators and performers manipulate the elements of music creators and performers provide clues to expressive intent through the use of elements and structures of music common forms such as AB (Binary), ABA (ternary), Rondo, and Theme and Variation 	 make interpretive decisions based on their understanding of context and expressive intent select musical works that is influenced by their interests, experiences, understandings, and purposes provide clues to their expressive intent through the use of elements and structures of music analyze the form of typical elementary repertoire and professional performances

Assessments:	Teacher observation, weekly formative assessments
Teacher Resources:	Essential Elements for Strings Book 1 - Michael Allen, Robert Gillespie, Pamela Tellejohn Hayes. Arrangements by John Higgins Sight Reading Factory Professional Recordings

Unit Title	Style & Expression	Length of Unit	Ongoing

Inquiry Questions (Engaging & Debatable)	 How do performers interpret musical works? When is a performance judged ready to present? how do context and the manner in which musical work is presented influence an audience response? How do individuals choose music to experience? How do we discern the musical creators' and performers' expressive intent?
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Standards	Preform: Interpret: MU:Pr4.3.E.5a, Present: MU:Pr6.1.E.5a Respond: Select: MU:Re7.1.E.5a, Analyze: MU:Re7.2.E.5a, Interpret: MU:Re8.1.E.5a
Unit Strands & Concepts	Dynamics,Articulation,Phrasing
Key Vocabulary	articulation, accent, phrase, fermata, dynamics, forte, piano, crescendo, decrescendo, tempo markings, legato, andante, allegro, mezzo forte, mezzo piano, style markings, largo, waltz, staccato, slur

Unit Title	Style & Expression	Length of Unit	Ongoing

Critical Content: My students will Know	Key Skills: My students will be able to (Do)	
 response to music is informed by analyzing context (social, cultural, and historical) and how creators and performers manipulate the elements of music the following articulation markings: accents, slurs, staccato, legato the following dynamics: piano, forte, crescendo, decrescendo the following music symbols: fermata 	 make interpretive decisions based on their understanding of context and expressive intent select musical works based on interests, experiences, understandings and purposes provide clues to their expressive intent through the use of elements and structures of music perform expressively, with appropriate interpretation and technical accuracy, and in a manner appropriate to the audience and context attach each note in a detached passage with a straight, continuous bow stroke. connect each note in a slurred passage using straight, continuous bow stroke aurally and visually distinguish between detached and slurred passages 	

Assessments:	Weekly formative assessment, student performance, student self-assessment	
Teacher Resources:	Essential Elements for Strings Book 1 - Michael Allen, Robert Gillespie, Pamela Tellejohn Hayes. Arrangements by John Higgins Sight Reading Factory	

Unit Title	Composing & Arranging	Length of Unit	Ongoing
Inquiry Questions (Engaging & Debatable)	 How do musicians generate creative ideas? How do musicians make creative decisions? How do musicians improve the quality of their creative wo 	rk?	
Standards	Create: Imagine: MU:Cr1.1.E.5a, Plan and Make: MU:Cr1.2.E.a, Evaluate & Refine: MU:Cr3.1E.5a		
Unit Strands & Concepts	Rhythmic Composition, Melodic Composition		

composer, arranger, notation

Key Vocabulary

Unit Title	Composing & Arranging	Length of Unit	Ongoing

Critical Content: My students will Know	Key Skills: My students will be able to (Do)
 the creative ideas, concepts, and feelings that influence musicians' work emerge from a variety of sources musicians creative choices are influenced by their expertise, context, and expressive intent notation elements necessary for successful musical composition 	 evaluate and refine their work through openness to new ideas, persistence, and the application of appropriate criteria create an original piece of music that can be repeated and preserved either in notation or in a sound recording apply concepts of composition procedures including the development of musical ideas compose an 8-12 measure composition for their instrument

Assessments:	Original Composition Project
Teacher Resources:	Essential Elements for Strings Book 1 - Michael Allen, Robert Gillespie, Pamela Tellejohn Hayes. Arrangements by John Higgins

Unit Title	Improvisation	Length of Unit	Ongoing
Inquiry Questions (Engaging & Debatable)	 How do musicians generate creative ideas? How do musicians make creative decisions? How do musicians improve the quality of their creative wor When is creative work ready to share? 	rk?	
Standards	Create: Imagine: MU:Cr.1.1.E.5a, Plan and Make: MU:Cr2.1.E.5a Evaluate & Refine: MU:Cr3.1.E.5a, Present: MU:Cr3.2.E.5a		
Unit Strands & Concepts	What is Improvisation?		
Key Vocabulary	Improvisation, I-V chord progression		

Unit Title	Improvisation	Length of Unit	2-3 Weeks

Critical Content: My students will Know	Key Skills: My students will be able to (Do)
 the creative ideas, concepts, and feelings that influence musicians' work emerge from a variety of sources musicians creative choices are influenced by their expertise, context, and expressive intent musicians presentation o creative work is the culmination of a process of creation and communication 	 evaluate and refine their work through openness to new ideas, persistence, and the application of appropriate criteria present creative work as the culmination of a process of creation and communication create and perform spontaneously or in-the-moment, based on guidelines provided by the instructor analyze melodic concepts improvise over a simple I-IV-V chord progression

Assessments:	Student improvisation performance in all known keys at this level
Teacher Resources:	Essential Elements for Strings Book 1 - Michael Allen, Robert Gillespie, Pamela Tellejohn Hayes. Arrangements by John Higgins

Unit Title	Performance Etiquette	Length of Unit	Ongoing
Inquiry Questions (Engaging & Debatable)	 How do musicians improve the quality of their performance When is a performance judged ready to present? How do context and the manner in which musical work is performed to the downward of the musical creators and performers of the downward of the downward of the performance How do we judge the quality of musical work(s) and performance 	oresented influence expressive intent?	e audience response?
Standards	Preform: Rehearse, Evaluate & Refine: MU:Pr5.1.E.5a, Present: MU:Pr6.1.E. Respond: Interpret: MU:Re8.1.E.5a, Evaluate: MU:R9.1.E.5a	£.5a	
Unit Strands & Concepts	 Audience Etiquette, Performance Etiquette, Performance Reflection 		
Key Vocabulary	rehearsal marks (numbers or letters), audience, conductor, stagleft, bow, performance reflection, balance, blend	ge, curtain, pit orch	nestra, stage right, stage

Unit Title Performan	ce Etiquette	Length of Unit	Ongoing
Critical Content: My students will Know	Key Skills: My students will be able to (Do)		
 what appropriate audience and performer behavior looks and sounds like appropriate times to applaud during a performance appropriate times to exit the performance hall during a performance 	 express their musical ideas through analyzing, evaluathrough openness to new ideas, persistence, and the appropriate independence of the audience response. judge performance based on criteria that vary across work is presented influence the audience response. provide clues to their expressive intent through the undependence of the evaluate personal work and performances by analysistic apply individual instrumental skills and techniques to and supplemental literature. distinguish between and perform various musical style demonstrate appropriate audience and performer etic live audience. apply the principle of teamwork and cooperation to a evaluate and identify strengths and weaknesses studed develop ensemble skills including following the conduction to intonation. demonstrate and discuss sequential and appropriate and demonstrate and discuss sequential and appropriate and discuss sequential and discuss seq	application of appropritime, place and culture se of elements and struct, interpretation and estructory are a common goal ent's own performance actor, balancing/blending	ate criteria es. This context and how a cuctures of music stablished criteria ensemble, method book ances both in class and for a in the ensemble setting s and of the ensemble ing within the ensemble

Assessments:	Student Performance, Student Created Performance Rubric, Performance Self-Reflection
Teacher Resources:	Essential Elements for Strings Book 1 - Michael Allen, Robert Gillespie, Pamela Tellejohn Hayes. Arrangements by John Higgins, Professional Recordings