

OLD BRIDGE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS



MUSIC APPRECIATION *(an overview)*

Grades 9-12



Curriculum Committee
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Goals:

- To give students a greater understanding of the importance of music in their lives
- Offer an additional Inclusion environment for Special Needs students
- To allow each student to express themselves
- To teach the foundations of musical theory and practice
- To introduce aspects of music history, composers, genres, instrument families, introduction to specific instrumentation, including voice as appropriate



Implementation:

- Offered to 9 to 12th grade
- Provides additional elective at GNC
- Inclusion offering at GNC
- 2021-2022 – Pilot program successful
- Guidance to begin offering in spring for September 2022



Benefits:

- Music stimulates cognitive function
- Music can be used for remediation (speech/language skills)
- Theory + Practice – hands on approach
- Student learning is combined with enjoyment of music
- Therapeutic
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Aural and vocal skills
are reinforced





Hands-on, interactive approach to music with kinesthetic learning



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hand-eye
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