



CHEROKEE  
MIDDLE SCHOOL

Music Journeys



Course Title: Music Journeys

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COURSE CONTENTS:

- ◆ Study history of American Pop Music
  - \*Jazz (Ragtime, Dixieland, Blues, Swing, Bebop)
  - \*Beginning of Rock and Roll (Elvis, The Beatles, Woodstock)
  - \*Disco
  - \*Rap
  - \*MTV – the beginning of music videos
  - \*Alternative Music
  - \* and much more!
- ◆ Musical Instruments
- ◆ American Musical Theatre
- ◆ Basic piano keyboard or acoustic guitar instruction
- ◆ Music Research Report on favorite singer or group  
Plagiarism will not be tolerated at Cherokee Middle School.
- ◆ Windows Movie Maker Project in CMS Library (Music Videos).
- ◆ Strive to achieve an appreciation for ALL types of music

CLASS RULES:

1. Sit in your assigned seat.
2. No gum chewing, snacks, or drinks (except water) are allowed.
3. Be prepared with a pen or pencil when class begins.

4. Review daily agenda posted on the board.
5. Participate during warm-ups and singing.
6. Each student will demonstrate respect for his or her classmates as well as for the teacher at all times.
7. Students will use guitars, instruments, and technology devices only when instructed to do so, or lose those privileges.

Cherokee Tardy Policy will be in effect:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Tardy – Warning
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Tardy – Warning
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Tardy – Lunch Detention
- 4<sup>th</sup> Tardy – Lunch Detention – Call Parents
- 5<sup>th</sup> Tardy – After School Detention
- 8<sup>th</sup> Tardy – ISS

#### GRADING SCALE:

Positive daily participation	50%
Worksheets and Quizzes	50%

#### EXTRA CREDIT:

Students may receive bonus points by attending (or performing in) concerts, plays, or musicals, and bringing in the program or ticket stub signed by a parent or guardian.

There will also be a classroom “Talent Day” once a month that students may choose to participate in to receive extra credit.

Welcome to the Cherokee Music Program! If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to call me at 523-7374.

Sincerely,

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