

Welcome to Mr. Mack's
General Music Wheel
Class

Overview of Tonight's Presentation

1. Syllabus Review
2. The Importance of Music and the Arts
3. Goals for the Class
4. Online Gradebook (Engrade)
5. Concert Review Guidelines
6. In a million words or fewer...

Syllabus Review

- Semester-long wheel class (August 31-January 31)
- Designed to introduce students to the world of music
- Music Theory, Popular and Classical Music History, World Music, Singing, Playing Instruments, Composing Music
- Students are not given daily homework but are expected to give their best effort and show excellent work habits IN CLASS.

Importance of Music & the Arts

Many scholars are predicting that most of the important jobs of the future will require these skills:

1. One must be willing to learn to do things in new ways.
2. One must have passion and curiosity.
3. One must have good people skills.
4. One must develop better right-brain skills.

MUSIC HELPS ALL OF THESE IN A WAY
NO OTHER DISCIPLINE DOES!!!!!!!!!!

Goals for this Class

National Standards for Music Education

1. Sing
2. Perform on Instruments
3. Improvise Music
4. Compose and Arrange Music
5. Read and Notate Music
6. Listen to, Analyze, and Describe Music
7. Evaluate Music and Musical Performances
8. Understand Relationships Between Music, Other Arts, and Outside Disciplines
9. Understand Music's Relation to History and Culture

Online Gradebook (Engrade)

- www.engage.com
- If you or your child signs up, you can view your child's current grade in choir class only.
- No attendance or citizenship grades are entered on Engrade.
- If you'd like to sign up, go to www.engage.com/students.
- When prompted for an access code, enter `engage-wilsonchoirs-your child's number in my class`
- Ask your child for his or her number or email me and I'll send it to you. smack@gusd.net

Concert Review Guidelines

- Must be classical, jazz, or world music
- Email me if you'd like the assignment sheet or download it from <http://tinyurl.com/wilsonchoirs>

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- In a million words or fewer, tell me about your child.
- Can be emailed to smack@gusd.net