

ST. LUKE'S SCHOOL

Course Name: Music 6/7

Instructor's Name: Inge Franco

About the Teacher: I received my degree in teaching from Johannes Gutenberg University in Mainz, Germany. I hold a so-called "Staatsexamen for Teaching in Secondary Schools" which compares to a Masters degree in Education. My majors are English and French and I have a minor in Latin. During my student years I tutored elementary students in German, math and social studies. After graduating I taught English and French for two years in Germany. My first teaching job in the U.S. was at Grymes Memorial School, teaching French to Pre-K through 8th grade. I took a four year break from teaching after the birth of my two daughters, both St. Luke's alumni. While being a stay-at-home mom, I learned my fifth language, Spanish, through immersion and self-study. This is my seventeenth year of teaching at St. Luke's.

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Class Description:

The 6th and 7th grade music class will continue exploring the universal appeal and importance of music. Time will be spent singing as well as studying basic music theory, composers and musicians throughout history, and various styles of music. Students will also experiment with collaborative and individual composition. They will learn and perform a variety of songs for Friday chapel services as well as for other school performances.

Goals:

Students will use proper vocal technique and choral behavior. They will perform rhythmic patterns using a variety of instruments. They will use basic musical terminology and notations. They will discover different styles of music and know the value of each individual in the musical ensemble.

Grading Criteria:

50% of the grade will be based on willingness to participate, positive attitude and effort, and showing respect for classmates and class environment.

30% of the grade is based on participation in projects and performances.

20% of the grade is based on completed homework assignments, and quiz and test grades

Materials:

Various types of sheet music

Jay Althouse: Ready to read music – Sequential Lessons in Music Readiness

Mike Campbell: Sightsinging – the Complete Method for Singers

Various teacher generated materials

Internet

Grading Policy: School Policy