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Unit 1: Music of Social Justice

- Content & Pacing: Music of Social Justice and Change
 - o Power to the People: Exploring Music of Social Justice in America (6 weeks)
 - o "Modern Day Woodstock Music with a Message" Project (1 week)
- Learning Objectives:
 - Understand the following big ideas:
 - Music has played a role in every major social justice movement of American history
 - Themes of social justice can be found in popular music of all genres and historical periods
 - Patriotism and protest often work hand in hand
 - Popular musicians often use their celebrity status to inspire social change
 - Complete the following tasks:
 - Engage in student to student discourse and debate over unit topics
 - Spirituals, Blues, Civil Rights Anthems, Anti-War songs, music of the Farmworker's Movement, Social Justice within Rap and Hip Hop, and modern protest songs
 - Decode lyrics of spirituals
 - Analyze the development of Blues
 - Write protest lyrics
 - Analyze AAB Blues form
 - Analyze influences of civil rights anthems & the history and significance of Soul and Funk music
 - Compare and contrast Anti-War songs
 - Identify patterns of hybridization in music of the Farmworker's Movement
 - Identify themes of social justice in Rap and Hip Hop
 - Determine the differences between a sample, cover, and remix
 - Create a line-up for a modern festival around a particular social issue and a poster promoting the event

• Assessments:

- o Formative:
 - Students will be assessed for their level of understanding daily during their participation in the activities of the day and in the check-ins for understanding.
 - Students will take a quiz over the subject matter midway through the unit to inform student and teacher what level they are at.
- o Summative:
 - Students will demonstrate their knowledge of the unit with a test graded according to a rubric on a standard (A= 90 – 100%, B = 80 – 89%, etc.) scale.
 - Students will demonstrate their knowledge of the unit through their "Modern Day Woodstock" project. The project will be graded

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- National Core Arts & Illinois Arts Learning Anchor Standards:
 - o MU:Re8.1.Ia: Explain and support the meaning of musical works, citing as evidence the elements of music, context, and personal research
 - MU:Cr3.1.I Evaluate, critique, and refine draft compositions and improvisations based on knowledge, skill, and teacher provided criteria
 - MU:Cn11.1.Ia. Demonstrate understanding of relationships between music and the other arts, other disciplines, varied contexts, and daily life as developmentally appropriate

Unit 2: Music Theory: Half Steps and Accidentals

- Content & Pacing:
 - o Half Steps v. Whole Steps & Accidentals (1 ½ Weeks)
- Learning Objectives:
 - Understand the following big ideas:
 - The difference between a half and a whole step
 - The function of a sharp and a flat
 - Complete the following tasks:
 - Identification and writing of whole and half steps
 - Identification of sharps and flats
 - Identification of half and whole steps using the piano
 - Writing half steps using sharps and flats
- Assessments:
 - o Formative:
 - Students will be assessed for their level of understanding daily during their participation in the activities of the day and in the check-ins for understanding.
 - Students will take a quiz over the subject matter to inform student and teacher what level they are at.
 - o Summative:
 - Students will demonstrate their knowledge of the unit with a test graded according to a rubric on a standard (A= 90 – 100%, B = 80 – 89%, etc.) scale.
- National Core Arts & Illinois Arts Learning Anchor Standards:
 - MU:Pr:4.1.Ib: Demonstrate or analyze, using music reading skills, how compositional devices of musical works impact and inform prepared or improvised performances.

Unit 3: Music in Film

- Content & Pacing:
 - o Hooray for Hollywood: An Introduction to Film Scoring (5 weeks)
 - o Film Composer Research Project (1 week)

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• Learning Objectives:

- Understand the following big ideas:
 - Music plays a vital role in the movie audience experience
 - Music can change the audience's perception of a scene
 - Film music is a major industry that employs a multitude of professionals
- Complete the following tasks:
 - Critically discuss (student to student discourse): how action and the music of a scene interact to create the final effect, the process of recording a score
 - Identify the difference between underscore and source music
 - Compare and contrast: movie themes, character themes
 - Compose a movie theme and variations of it
 - Define and recognize variations in music and direct hits
 - Assign a character theme to well-known characters of students' choice
 - Research careers in film music
 - Research project on a famous film composer
 - Compose their own score for a short film

• Assessments:

- o Formative:
 - Students will be assessed for their level of understanding daily during their participation in the activities of the day and in the check-ins for understanding
 - Students will take a quiz over the subject matter to inform student and teacher what level they are at.
- Summative:
 - Students will demonstrate their knowledge of the unit with a test graded according to a rubric on a standard (A= 90 – 100%, B = 80 – 89%, etc.) scale.
 - Students will demonstrate their knowledge of the unit through a project researching a famous film composer. The project will be graded according to a rubric on a standard (A= 90 – 100%, B = 80 – 89%, etc.) scale.
- National Core Arts & Illinois Arts Learning Anchor Standards:
 - MU:Cn11.1.Ia. Demonstrate understanding of relationships between music and the other arts, other disciplines, varied contexts, and daily life as developmentally appropriate
 - MU:Cr3.1.II b. Present the final version of a personal composition or arrangement, using musicianship and originality to utilize various compositional techniques and convey expressive intent.
 - MU:Re7.1.I a. Apply teacher provided criteria to select music for specified purposes, supporting choices by citing characteristics found in the music and connections to interest, purpose, and context

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o MU:Re8.1.I a. Explain and support the meaning of musical works, citing as evidence the elements of music, context, and personal research.

End of the Year

- Content & Pacing:
 - Review the content of the semester (1 week)
 - Final Exam (1/2 week)
- Learning Objectives:
 - Understand the following big ideas:
 - The content from each of the 3 units:
 - Music of Social Justice and Change
 - Half Steps and Accidentals
 - Music in Film
 - Complete the following tasks:
 - Review Games
 - Kahoot
 - Creating your own study guide
 - Final Exam
- Assessments:
 - o Formative:
 - Students will be assessed for their level of understanding daily during their participation in the activities of the day and in the check-ins for understanding
 - Summative:
 - Students will be assessed on their knowledge of semester content with a final exam graded according to a rubric on a standard (A= 90 – 100%, B = 80 – 89%, etc.) scale.
- National Core Arts & Illinois Arts Learning Anchor Standards:
 - MU:Cr3.1.I Evaluate, critique, and refine draft compositions and improvisations based on knowledge, skill, and teacher provided criteria
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 - o MU:Re8.1.Ia: Explain and support the meaning of musical works, citing as evidence the elements of music, context, and personal research
 - MU:Cn11.1.Ia. Demonstrate understanding of relationships between music and the other arts, other disciplines, varied contexts, and daily life as developmentally appropriate