Timberline High School Music Department

Music Appreciation Syllabus - Fall Semester

Why Study Music?

"Music is one of the great pleasures of life. It has the power to command our attention and inspire us. It speaks to our spirit and to our inner feelings. It provokes thoughts about the mysteries of life such as why we exist, the vastness of the universe, and our purpose on earth. Music reaches deep into our nature to console us, to reassure us, and to help us express who and what we are as human beings." (Music! Page 5)

The bulk of this class will be taught in the form of discussions. Reading and written assignments will be given from which the class will share opinions, observations, and experiences about music. Students will work on projects and will have the opportunity to contribute to the educational process by doing some teaching of their own. The goal of this class is to discover music, share our experiences and learn from the process!

Grades will be based on:

- Student participation and involvement in class discussion
- Completion of assigned reading, which may be accompanied by worksheets
- Preparation and effective/creative sharing of information in class
- Tests

Tentative Schedule

Week 1 – Chapter 1

Week 2 – Chapter 2

Week 3 – Chapter 6

Week 4 – Chapter 7

Week 5&6 - Chapter 10

Week 7&8 – Chapter 11

Week 8/9 – Chapter 13

Week 10/11- Chapter 16

Week 11/12 - Chapter 18

Week 12/13 – Chapter 19

Week 14 – Chapter 22

Week 15 - Chapter 24

Week 16 – Chapter 26

Week 17 – Chapter 27/Review

Week 18 – Final Exams