



Southern Lehigh School District

High School Syllabus

Piano I 2012-2013

Course Description:

This course is designed for the beginning student who wishes to learn the fundamentals of playing the piano. The student will demonstrate adequate motor skill development through the performance of a variety of sequential repertoire. Learning to read basic pitch and rhythmic patterns will be taught. A history of the instrument as well as its most famous composers and performers will be examined. The department of music's computer lab will be used for both individual and group instruction.

Course Content:

Basic notation reading

Musical terminology

Music History as related to keyboard instruments and famous composers and/or performers

Proper Playing Technique

Required Textbooks and/or Other Reading/Research Materials

All materials are issued to students for use in and out of school as able. The music lab is open everyday after school for student practice as well as during selected times during the school day.

Basic Adult Piano Course Level One. Alfred, 1996.

Dozen a Day, Volume I Technical Exercises by Edna Burnam. Willis, 1950.

Course Requirements:

Students are expected to have a positive attitude ready to learn as well as a pencil and notebook.

Grade Components/Assessments:

Grades will be based on in-class work ethic, homework completion, quizzes, playing exams, written tests, and projects.

Required Summer Reading/Assignments:

There is no requirement applicable to this course.