

Hello hello, students/guardians!

The Music Room has been oh-so quiet these past few months and I am excitedly looking forward to another wonderful year full of exploration, creativity, and music making at SRAE! As the school year begins, I want to take this opportunity to highlight some information about Music Class and Beginning Band:

### Important Dates:

- ♪ Winter Concert~ Dec 6, 2023 6:30 PM
  - Kindergarten, 1st Grade, 2nd Grade **ONLY**
- ♪ Spring Concert~ May 14, 2024 6:30 PM
  - 3rd Grade, 4th Grade, 5th Grade, Beginning Band **ONLY**

### Performances:

At SRAE, *every student participates in one performance per year*. These performances are listed above as the **Winter and Spring concerts**, so please mark your calendars accordingly. Performances can be scary and stressful, but they are an important opportunity for learning, sharing, and growing our confidence! Your students work hard and spent a lot of time in preparation for performances, and music (as are many of the other activities in which your students participate) is a team sport where no one sits the bench! For students who are interested, there will be additional *optional* performance opportunities throughout the year (*information to come*).

As has been the case in previous years, grades for music will be decided on a pass/fail basis.

### Expectations:

Our MUSIC acronym outlines the standards we will all strive to meet together throughout the year.

These are also the categories that will be considered when grading the students' performance in music class.

None of us are perfect, but when we know better and support one another, we can do better!



Ⓜ Make good choices that keep everyone safe

Ⓤ Use your resources to problem-solve

Ⓢ Show respect for our classroom members and environment

Ⓢ Inhale and exhale when things get tough

Ⓒ Contribute and participate with your best effort

### Website:

In addition to Google Classroom, we have a Music Class website where I post information like performance FAQs, links to earworm songs from class, and other resources that may get missed in a take-home folder. To visit our page, go to:

❖ [sraemusic.weebly.com](http://sraemusic.weebly.com)

### Contact me:

There are several ways to contact me throughout the year-

1. email me at [greer\\_wardlaw@slipperyrock.k12.pa.us](mailto:greer_wardlaw@slipperyrock.k12.pa.us)
2. fill out the contact form on the class website or Google Classroom
3. call 724-794-2960 x411 to reach me at school

I love hearing from you and I am always available to address any questions/concerns that you may have, so please do not hesitate to reach out!

*\*In addition to scheduling a meeting or reaching out via the ways above, I have also created a CONFIDENTIAL Google form specifically designed for anything that you feel I should know about your student that pertains to the music room. It is entirely optional to fill out this form, and it will be open to receive responses throughout the school year, should a need to submit information arise. Responses will not be shared with anyone other than Miss Wardlaw. Information submitted could include any triggers, social style, learning preferences, anxieties, struggles, etc. that should be brought to my attention to better help your student. It is my goal to help every student feel as welcome and supported as possible while in our class, and I hope that providing this additional means of communication streamlines and simplifies this important information reaching me.*

**You Should Know Form-** <https://forms.gle/tYmf8XWZkWz4HmQn6>

I am looking forward to a wonderful year of music together!

Miss Greer Wardlaw

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