

community school of music and arts

Key Concept	Kindergarten	1 st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Singing	Finding singing voiceMatch pitch	Match pitch with accuracy Learn many songs by memory	 Sing familiar melodies independently Sing with good tone quality & diction 	 Use singing voice with increased accuracy & independence Expand vocal range 	 Sing confidently with others in canon and part songs Gain independence singing alone 	Sing confidently with others in canon and part songs with expanded range Begin sight-singing
Melody	Distinguish high/low	 Perform, recognize and notate melodic patterns using so, mi, la 	Add do, re to complete the pentatonic scale	Add high do, low la, low so. Introduce fa and ti, if ready	Sing and play melodies using entire diatonic scale	Distinguish between pentatonic and diatonic scales
Rhythm	Develop a sense of steady beat	 Perform, recognize and notate quarter note, eighth note, quarter rest Beat vs. rhythm Learn 2/4 meter 	Learn half notes, tied notes & sixteenth note patterns Learn 4/4 meter	Learn combination of sixteenth & eighth notes, dotted half note, whole note, and syncopation Learn 3/4 meter	Learn dotted rhythms on one beat Distinguish upbeat/downbeat/ offbeat	Work with syncopated patterns
Harmony	Distinguish accompaniment / no accompaniment	Add simple ostinati to melodies	Sing canons & rounds	Sing & play canons, ostinato, and partner songs	Combine recorder and singing	Sing & play 2 and 3 part songs
Form	Call & response Echo	Recognize like/unlike phrasesRead & write repeat signs	 Identify question / answer phrases 	 Understand simple forms (AB, ABA) Improvise answer phrases to questions 	D.C. al Fine Theme and variations	Identify rondo sections
Cultural Context	Listen to and sing folks songs from other countries	 Discuss music & celebrations of other cultures Listen to and sing folks songs from many cultures 	 Identify similar themes in various art forms Learn folk songs & dances from many cultures 	Learn the music of California, Ohlone & other Native American cultures	Experience California's history through folk & popular songs	Understand the diversity of culture through its music
Creating	Dramatize songs	 Improvise simple rhythmic & melodic patterns Create movements to songs 	Create rhythmic or melodic accompaniments to songs using classroom instruments	Create movements to express tempo, form or mood	 Compose simple melodic & rhythmic patterns Create movement combinations to express mood 	Use known melodies & rhythmic elements in songs for improvisational dance
Playing Instruments	Exploration of body percussion and classroom instruments	Pitched instruments (tone bars) Percussion	Pitched instruments (tone bars, other mallet instruments) Percussion	Use bells / xylophone for accompaniment Recorder may be introduced	Recorder instruction All Classroom instruments	Recorder instruction All Classroom instruments Beginning level band and strings (if available)