#### FIRST GRADING PERIOD



	STANDARDS		BENCHMARKS		GRADE LEVEL INDICATORS	CURRICULUM GUIDE SAMPLE LESSONS
2:	Performing alone and with others a	A:	Perform alone at an appropriate level of	GLI 1: GLI 2:	Demonstrate proper seated or standing posture. Demonstrate proper left hand and arm technique.	Building the Foundation, Beginner
	varied repertoire of music.		mastery on a stringed	 GLI 3:	Demonstrate proper right hand and arm technique.	Basics
	music.		instrument.	 GLI 5:	Perform preliminary vibrato exercises.	
				 GLI 6:	Demonstrate the relationship between finger placement and pitch/intonation.	
				 GLI 10:	Demonstrate appropriate care of the instrument.	
		B:	Recognize and perform various styles of music.	 GLI 1:	Imitate the style of aural models.	
		C:	Perform scales and technical exercises.	 GLI 1:	Perform with accuracy and good intonation the following major scales: violin-D; viola/cello-D; bass-D.	
				 GLI 4:	Slide up and down fingerboard with fingers between strings or lightly touching strings.	
			Perform in ensembles.	 GLI 1:	Interpret and respond to conducting patterns and cues in large ensembles.	
4:	Composing and arranging music within specific guidelines.	C:	Use a variety of traditional and nontraditional sound sources and electronic media when composing and arranging.	GLI 1:	Notate rhythms by hand.	
5:	Reading and	<b>B</b> :	Read and notate	 GLI 1:	Identify pitches notated in the clef which is commonly used for the instrument the student is studying.	
	notating music	C:	pitches. Identify and define standard notation symbols for dynamics, articulation and expression.	 GLI 1:	Read and notate the symbols for down bow, up bow, <i>pizzicato</i> and <i>arco</i> .	
		D:	Sight read, accurately and	 GLI 1:	Sight read and perform accurately <i>pizzicato</i> , down bow and up bow symbols.	
			expressively,	GLI 5:	Sight read music at an appropriate performance level for the	

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		music with a level of difficulty appropriate to ensemble performance level.	literature being studied.	
6:	Listening to, analyzing, and describing music.	A: Describe specific music events in a given aural example using appropriate terminology.	GLI 1: Identify forms associated with the literature being studied. GLI 3: Identify the steady beat in a given aural example.	
		C: Analyze the use of music representing diverse genres and cultures.	GLI 1: Relate to other cultures through music literature being studied.	
7:	Evaluating music and music performance.	A: Develop criteria for evaluating the quality and effectiveness of music compositions.	GLI 2: Evaluate recorded performances of the literature being studied. GLI 3: Listen to and recognize compositions for their instrument.	
		B: Develop criteria for evaluating the quality and effectiveness of musical performances.	GLI 4:       Demonstrate self-motivation to practice and keep a practice log.         GLI 5:       Make use of technology in rehearsal to assist in self-evaluation (e.g. record and playback, CD from method book, metronome).         GLI 6:       Practice proper audience etiquette in selected music settings.         GLI 7:       Attend live performances by professional musicians.	
8:	Understanding relationships between music, the other arts and disciplines outside the arts.	B: Understand relationships between music and disciplines outside the arts.	GLI 1:       Describe the basic sound production mechanics of stringed instruments (i.e. friction, sound wave travel, amplification).         GLI 2:       Identify connections between the vocabulary being studied in music and the vocabulary being studied in other classrooms.	
9:	Understanding music in relation to history and culture.	A: Describe distinguishing characteristics of representative music genres and styles from a variety of cultures.	GLI 2:       Discuss music history and culture as it relates to the music being studied and performed.         GLI 4:       Read program notes and background information related to the literature being studied.	
		B: Classify a varied body of exemplary musical works by	GLI 1: Identify the characteristics of cultural music being studied by the ensemble.	

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	historical period and/or culture.		
	C: Compare functions music serves, roles of musicians and conditions under which music is typically performed in several cultures.	GLI 1: Identify songs used in celebration, e.g. <i>Dreidel</i> , <i>Happy Birthday</i> , etc.	
	D: Identify and compare careers in music.	GLI 1: Recognize the importance of self-motivation and practice in music.	

#### SECOND GRADING PERIOD



STANDARDS	BENCHMARKS	GRADE LEVEL INDICATORS	CURRICULUM GUIDE SAMPLE LESSONS
2: Performing alone and with others a varied repertoire of music.	A: Perform alone at an appropriate level of mastery on a stringed instrument.	<ul> <li>GLI 1: Demonstrate proper seated or standing posture.</li> <li>GLI 2: Demonstrate proper left hand and arm technique.</li> <li>GLI 3: Demonstrate proper right hand and arm technique.</li> <li>GLI 4: Demonstrate the relationship between bow angle and tone production.</li> <li>GLI 5: Perform preliminary vibrato exercises.</li> <li>GLI 6: Demonstrate the relationship between finger placement and pitch/intonation.</li> <li>GLI 8: Perform the following articulations: right and left hand <i>pizzicato</i>, down bow, up bow, <i>detache</i>, bow lift.</li> <li>GLI 9: Demonstrate a consistent practice routine outside of the rehearsal setting.</li> <li>GLI 10: Demonstrate appropriate care of the instrument.</li> </ul>	Happy Birthday: Writing rhythm, Melody and Variations
	<ul> <li>B: Recognize and perform various styles of music.</li> <li>C: Perform scales and technical exercises.</li> </ul>	GLI 10. Demonstrate appropriate care of the instrument.         GLI 1: Imitate the style of aural models.         GLI 1: Perform with accuracy and good intonation the following major scales: violin-D,G; viola/cello-D,G; bass-D,G.	Happy Birthday: Writing rhythm, Melody and Variations Rhythmic Unit on Half Notes and Eighth Notes
3: Improvising melodies, variations and accompaniments.	D: Perform in ensembles. A: Improvise melodies.	GLI 1:       Interpret and respond to conducting patterns and cues in large ensembles.         GLI 2:       Demonstrate part independence.         GLI 3:       Work with other musicians to create a quality performance.         GLI 4:       Cooperate with other musicians to create a positive social atmosphere.         GLI 1:       Echo rhythms on one note.         GLI 2:       Echo three to five note melodic patterns.	Rhythmic Unit on Half Notes and Eighth Notes
4: Composing and	C: Improvise accompaniments. B: Arrange music	GLI 1: Create ostinato patterns in 4/4 meter one to two measures in length.         GLI 1: Write a rhythmic accompaniment for a given melody.	

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	arranging music within specific guidelines.	within specified guidelines.		
5:	Reading and notating music.	A: Read and notate rhythms.	GLI 1: Perform from notation eighth, quarter and half notes in 4/4 and 2/4 meters.         GLI 4: Comprehend and define 4/4, 3/4, and 2/4 meters.	Building the Foundation, Beginner Basics
		B: Read and notate pitches.	GLI 1: Identify pitches notated in the clef commonly used for the instrument the student is studying.         GLI 4: Demonstrate ability to read notation for literature being stidied.	Building the Foundation, Beginner Basics
		C: Identify and define standard notation symbols for dynamics, articulation and expression.	GLI 1: Read and notate the symbols for down bow, up bow, <i>pizzicato</i> and <i>arco</i> .         GLI 2: Read and notate the standard symbols for the following dynamic markings: <i>p, mp, mf, and f</i> .	
		D: Sight read, accurately and expressively, music with a level of difficulty appropriate to ensemble performance level.	GLI 1:       Sight read and perform accurately <i>pizzicato</i> , down bow and up bow symbols.         GLI 2:       Sight read simple, 4 measure, unison examples in 4/4 and 2/4 meters.         GLI 5:       Sight read music at an appropriate performance level for the literature being studied.	
6:	Listening to, analyzing, and describing music.	<ul> <li>A: Describe specific music events in a given aural example using appropriate terminology.</li> <li>B: Describe music events in a given</li> </ul>	GLI 1:       Identify forms associated with the literature being studied.         GLI 3:       Identify the steady beat in a given aural example.         GLI 4:       Distinguish between major and minor aurally.         GLI 1:       Identify a single repeat sign and a set of repeat signs.	Happy Birthday: Writing rhythm, Melody and Variations
		C: Analyze the use of music representing diverse genres and cultures.	GLI 1: Relate to other cultures through music literature being studied.	
7:	Evaluating music and music performance.	A: Develop criteria for evaluating the quality and effectiveness of music compositions.	GLI 2: Evaluate recorded performances of the literature being studied. GLI 3: Listen to and recognize compositions for their instrument.	

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	B: Develop criteria for evaluating the quality and effectiveness of musical performances.	GLI 1:       Recognize the influence of musical and nonmusical aspects (e.g. concert etiquette) of performance on audience perception.         GLI 2:       Listen to and name one or two performers representative of his/her instrument.         GLI 4:       Demonstrate self-motivation to practice and keep a practice log.         GLI 5:       Make use of technology in rehearsal to assist in self-evaluation (e.g. record and playback, CD from method book, metronome).         GLI 6:       Practice proper audience etiquette in selected music settings.         GLI 7:       Attend live performances by professional musicians.	
<ul> <li>8: Understanding relationships between music, the other arts and disciplines outside the arts.</li> <li>9: Understanding music in relation to</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>B: Understand relationships between music and disciplines outside the arts.</li> <li>A: Describe distinguishing</li> </ul>	GLI 2: Identify connections between the vocabulary being studied in music and the vocabulary being studied in other classrooms.	
history and culture.	characteristics of representative music genres and styles from a variety of cultures.	GLI 4: Read program notes and background information related to the literature being studied.	
	B: Classify a varied body of exemplary musical works by historical period and/or culture.	GLI 1: Identify the characteristics of cultural music being studied by the ensemble.	
	C: Compare functions music serves, roles of musicians and conditions under which music is typically performed in several cultures.	GLI 1: Identify songs used in celebration, e.g. <i>Dreidel</i> , <i>Happy Birthday</i> , etc.	
	D: Identify and compare careers in music.	GLI 1: Recognize the importance of self-motivation and practice in music.	

#### THIRD GRADING PERIOD



STANDARDS	BENCHMARKS	GRADE LEVEL INDICATORS	CURRICULUM GUIDE SAMPLE LESSONS
2: Performing alone	A: Perform alone at	GLI 1: Demonstrate proper seated or standing posture.	
and with others a varied repertoire of	an appropriate level of mastery on	GLI 2: Demonstrate proper left hand and arm technique.	
music.	a stringed	GLI 3: Demonstrate proper right hand and arm technique.	
	instrument.	GLI 5: Perform preliminary vibrato exercises.	
		GLI 6: Demonstrate the relationship between finger placement and pitch/intonation.	
		GLI 9: Demonstrate a consistent practice routine outside of the rehearsal setting.	
	B: Recognize and	GLI 1: Imitate the style of aural models.	
	perform various styles of music.	GLI 2: Recognize various styles of string music.	
	styles of music.	GLI 3: Perform a variety of styles using a familiar tune.	
	C: Perform scales and technical	GLI 1: Perform with accuracy and good intonation the following major scales: violin-D, G, A; viola/cello-D,G, C; bass-D,G.	
	exercises.	GLI 3: Perform with accuracy and good intonation the following arpeggios up and down: D, G.	
	D: Perform in	GLI 1: Interpret and respond to conducting patterns and cues in large	
3: Improvising	ensembles.A:Improvise	ensembles. GLI 1: Echo rhythms on one note.	Rhythmic Unit on Half
melodies, variations and accompaniments	melodies.		Notes and Eighth Notes
	B: Improvise variations.	GLI 1: Create rhythmic variations on given pitches or simple melodies with or without accompaniment.	
		GLI 3: Vary a given melodic idea using various bowings and articulations.	
		GLI 4: Transpose single string melodic patterns within a range of a perfect 4 <sup>th</sup> for basses and perfect 5 <sup>th</sup> for violin., viola., and cello by playing the same finger patterns on a different string.	
	C: Improvise accompaniments.	GLI 2: Improvise an ostinato accompaniment using one or more given pitches and a I-V-I progression.	

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5: Reading and notating music.	A: Read and notate rhythms.	<ul> <li>GLI 1: Perform from notation eighth, quarter, half, dotted half and whole notes and corresponding rests in 4/4, 3/4, and 2/4 meters.</li> <li>GLI 3: Utilize a consistent numerically based method of counting (1-e-&amp;-a), in 4/4, 3/4, and 2/4 meters.</li> </ul>	Rhythmic Unit on Half Notes and Eighth Notes
	B: Read and notate pitches.	GLI 1:         Identify pitches notated in the clef commonly used for the instrument the student is studying.           GLI 4:         Demonstrate ability to read notation for literature being studied.	
	C: Identify and define standard notation symbols for dynamics, articulation and expression.	GLI 1: Read and notate the symbols for down bow, up bow, slurs, staccato, bow lift, right and left hand <i>pizzicato</i> , and <i>arco</i> .	
	D: Sight read, accurately and expressively, music with a level	GLI 1:       Sight read and perform accurately <i>pizzicato</i> , down bow and up bow symbols.         GLI 2:       Sight read simple, 4 measure, unison examples in 4/4 and 2/4	
	of difficulty appropriate to ensemble performance level.	<ul> <li>GLI 3: Sight read the following expressive markings: <i>p</i>, <i>f</i>.</li> <li>GLI 5: Sight read music at an appropriate performance level for the literature being studied.</li> </ul>	
6: Listening to, analyzing and describing music.	A: Describe specific music events in a given aural example using appropriate terminology.	GLI 1: Identify forms associated with the literature being studied. GLI 3: Identify the steady beat in a given aural example.	
	B: Describe music events in a given printed example.	GLI 1:       Identify a single repeat sign, a set of repeat signs, and a first and second ending.         GLI 2:       Identify meters(s), dynamics, tonality, bowings and tempo in a given printed example.	
	C: Analyze the use of music representing diverse genres and cultures.	GLI 1: Relate to other cultures through music literature being studied.	
7: Evaluating music and music performances.	A: Develop criteria for evaluating the quality and effectiveness of music compositions.	GLI 2: Evaluate recorded performances of the literature being studied. GLI 3: Listen to and recognize compositions for their instrument	

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	B: Develop criteria for evaluating the quality and effectiveness of musical performances.	GLI 3:       Make use of a rubric to evaluate ensemble performance and seek ways to improve their performance of specific literature.         GLI 4:       Demonstrate self-motivation to practice and keep a practice log.         GLI 5:       Make use of technology in rehearsal to assist in self-evaluation (e.g. record and playback, CD from method book, metronome).         GLI 6:       Practice proper audience etiquette in selected music settings.         GLI 7:       Attend live performances by professional musicians.	
8: Understanding relationships between music, the other arts and disciplines outside the arts.	A: Understand relationships between music and the other arts.	GLI 1: Identify art forms that involve collaboration with multiple art forms (e.g. musical theatre, opera).	
	B: Understand relationships between music and disciplines outside the arts.	GLI 2: Identify connections between the vocabulary being studied in music and the vocabulary being studied in other classrooms.	
9: Understanding music in relation to history and culture.	A: Describe distinguishing characteristics of representative music genres and styles from a variety of cultures.	GLI 1:       Identify genres of string music such as fiddle, classical, etc.         GLI 2:       Discuss music history and culture as it relates to the music being studied and performed.         GLI 4:       Read program notes and background information related to the literature being studied.	
	B: Classify a varied body of exemplary musical works by historical period and/or culture.	GLI 1: Identify the characteristics of cultural music being studied by the ensemble.	
	D: Identify and compare careers in music.	GLI 1: Recognize the importance of self-motivation and practice in music.	

#### FOURTH GRADING PERIOD



	STANDARDS		BENCHMARKS		GRADE LEVEL INDICATORS	CURRICULUM GUIDE SAMPLE LESSONS	
2:	Performing alone	A:		GLI 1:	Demonstrate proper seated or standing posture.		
	and with others a varied repertoire of		an appropriate level of mastery on a stringed	an appropriate	GLI 2:	Demonstrate proper left hand and arm technique.	
	music.			GLI 3:	Demonstrate proper right hand and arm technique.		
			instrument.	GLI 5:	Perform preliminary vibrato exercises.		
				GLI 6:	Demonstrate the relationship between finger placement and pitch/intonation.		
				GLI 7:	Demonstrate the ability to perform notes in first position on all four strings of instrument being studied.		
				GLI 8:	Perform the following articulations: right and left hand <i>pizzicato</i> , down bow, up bow, <i>detache</i> , bow lift, slurs, <i>staccato</i> and up-bow staccato.		
				GLI 9:	rehearsal setting.		
		B:		GLI 1:	Imitate the style of aural models.		
			perform various styles of music.		Perform a variety of styles using a familiar tune.		
		C:	technical	GLI 1:	Perform with accuracy and good intonation the following major scales: violin-D, G, A; viola/cello-D, G, C; bass-D,G.		
			exercises.	GLI 2:	Perform with accuracy and good intonation three to five note scale patterns in a natural minor tonality.		
		D:	Perform in ensembles.	GLI 1:	Interpret and respond to conducting patterns and cues in large ensembles.		
3:	Improvising	B:		GLI 2:			
	melodies, variations and accompaniments		variations.		neighboring tones, etc.		
4:	Composing and	A:	r r r r r r	GLI 1:	2 1	Rhythmic Unit on Half	
	arranging music		within specific		3/4, or 2/4.	Notes and Eighth Notes	
	within specific guidelines.		guidelines.	GLI 2:	Compose a simple, four measure melody for their instrument using the pitches the student currently knows.		

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		GLI 3: Make use of the dynamic markings <i>forte</i> and <i>piano</i> in compositions.	
	B: Arrange music within specified guidelines.	GLI 2: Transpose on paper, a four-measure melody between the keys of D and G.	
5: Reading and notating music	A: Read and notate rhythms.	GLI 1:       Perform from notation eighth, quarter, half, dotted half and whole notes and corresponding rests in 4/4, 3/4, and 2/4 meters.         GLI 2:       Use standard notation to record a dictated rhythmic example, using the above rhythms and meters.	Happy Birthday: Writing rhythm, Melody and Variations
	B: Read and notate pitches	GLI 1: Identify pitches notated in the clef commonly used for the instrument the student is studying. GLI 2: Identify intervals in literature being studied by size (unison, 2 <sup>nd</sup> ,	Happy Birthday: Writing rhythm, Melody and Variations
		GLI 3: Notate a familiar melody (with the aid of the instrument) in the clef the student normally reads.	
	C: Identify and define standard notation symbols for dynamics, articulation and expression.	GLI 4:       Demonstrate ability to read notation for literature being studied.         GLI 1:       Read and notate the symbols for down bow, up bow, slurs, staccato, bow lift, right and left hand pizzicato, and arco.         GLI 3:       Identify the major key signature and tonality of the literature being studied.	Happy Birthday: Writing rhythm, Melody and Variations Happy Birthday: Writing rhythm, Melody and Variations
	D: Sight read, accurately and expressively, music with a level of difficulty appropriate to ensemble performance level.	<ul> <li>GLI 1: Sight read and perform accurately <i>pizzicato</i>, down bow and up bow symbols.</li> <li>GLI 2: Sight read simple, 4 measure, unison examples in 4/4 and 2/4 meters.</li> <li>GLI 3: Sight read the following expressive markings: <i>p</i>, <i>f</i>.</li> <li>GLI 4: Sight read music containing the following rhythms: whole, half, quarter, and eighth notes and corresponding rests.</li> <li>GLI 5: Sight read music at an appropriate performance level for the literature being studied.</li> </ul>	
6: Listening to, analyzing, and describing music	A: Describe specific music events in a given aural example using appropriate terminology.	GLI 1:       Identify forms associated with the literature being studied.         GLI 2:       Use appropriate terminology to communicate about the elements of music.         GLI 3:       Identify the steady beat in a given aural example.	Happy Birthday: Writing rhythm, Melody and Variations

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	B: Describe music events in a given printed example.	GLI 2: Identify meters(s), dynamics, tonality, bowings and tempo in a given printed example.	
	C: Analyze the use of music representing diverse genres and cultures.	GLI 1: Relate to other cultures through music literature being studied. GLI 2: Examine relationships between original compositions and transcriptions for orchestra.	
7: Evaluating music and music performance.	<ul> <li>A: Develop a criteria for evaluating the quality and effectiveness of music compositions.</li> <li>C: Defend personal music preferences using appropriate terminology.</li> </ul>	GLI 1:       Using appropriate terminology, create a rubric to evaluate music and programming choices.         GLI 2:       Evaluate recorded performances of the literature being studied.         GLI 3:       Listen to and recognize compositions for their instrument.         GLI 1:       Describe personal preferences of music using appropriate music terminology.	
8: Understanding relationships between music, the other arts and disciplines outside the arts.	B: Understand relationships between music and disciplines outside the arts.	GLI 2: Identify connections between the vocabulary being studied in music and the vocabulary being studied in other classrooms.	
9: Understanding music in relation to history and culture.	A: Describe distinguishing characteristics of representative music genres and styles from a variety of cultures.	GLI 2:       Discuss music history and culture as it relates to the musicbeing studied and performed.         GLI 3:       Demonstrate knowledge of music of diverse cultures.         GLI 4:       Read program notes and background information related to the literature being studied.	
	<ul> <li>B: Classify a varied body of exemplary musical works by historical period and/or culture.</li> <li>D: Identify and compare careers in musica</li> </ul>	GLI 1: Identify the characteristics of cultural music being studied by the ensemble.	
	music.	GLI 2: Identify various careers for musicians.	