

Recorder

Program Overview

Recorder is an excellent tool for introducing the joy of instrumental music to young students. In this program, students will learn to play the recorder and perform in a concert at the end of the year.

Throughout the program, students will be introduced to the basic building blocks of music: melody, rhythm and form, thus deepening their understanding and appreciation of music for years to come.

Tone Production & Fingerings

Though recorder is a simple instrument, it requires students to practice refined motor skills to produce a pleasant tone. Correct hand positions and controlled air flow are fundamental technical skills that serve as building blocks and translate to wind instruments later on.

Music Literacy

In conjunction with recorder playing, students are also introduced to fundamental music literacy topics. From identifying specific note names and their placement on the staff, to recognizing phrase repetition in simple song forms, students make immediate connections between the instrument they are learning and these music literacy concepts.

Performance Preparation

For many students, the recorder concert will be the first of many musical performances. Students work on memorization of repertoire, learn to play together with an accompanist or custom made backing track, and discover the thrill of performing in public.

Program Requirements

One period — 32 class sessions can be divided into 2 groupings of 15 or 3 groupings of 10.

Additional rehearsal and a performance.

One recorder per student

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