

# Musical Elements

Content Area: **Arts**  
Course(s): **Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, Freshman Concert Band**  
Time Period: **Semester 1 & 2**  
Length: **Full Year**  
Status: **Published**

## Standards

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MU.9-12.1.3C.12prof.Pr5a	Develop strategies to address expressive challenges in a varied repertoire of music, and evaluate their success using feedback from ensemble peers and other sources to refine performances.
MU.9-12.1.3C.12prof.Pr6a	Demonstrate attention to technical accuracy and expressive qualities in prepared and improvised performances of a varied repertoire of music representing diverse cultures, styles, and genres.
MU.9-12.1.3E.12prof.Re7b	Explain how knowledge of the structure (e.g., repetition, similarities, contrasts), technological aspects, and purpose of the music informs the response.
SEL.PK-12.4.1	Develop, implement and model effective problem-solving, and critical thinking skills
SEL.PK-12.4.2	Identify the consequences associated with one's actions in order to make constructive choices

## Enduring Understanding

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1. Be able to play in at least 6 Major/Minor key signatures and properly subdivide when encountering complex rhythms leading to independent performance abilities.
2. Properly tune instrument in a broader spectrum while performing in both easy & difficult keys in order to develop aural training.
3. Personal role within the balance of the ensemble to better student as a musician.

## Essential Questions

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1. How does an understanding of the musical elements enrich the artistic experience?
2. What progression should be taken in order to provide a sound foundation for a musical experience?
3. How do rhythm, dynamics, tempo, and the "musical language" contribute to the development of a performance of music?

## Knowledge and Skills

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- Daily Use: Sound Innovations, Circle of 4ths/5ths, Grade 4 - 6 music for Symphonic Band, Stands, Whiteboard, Smartboard, Musicfirst Software.
- Perform a variety of both simple/complex rhythms and demonstrate to peers.
- Develop understanding in the structure of performance/study pieces for ensemble.
- Hear role within chords and adjust pitch accordingly.

- Assess whether one is playing melody, counter-melody, or accompaniment and then balance appropriately within the ensemble.
- Use exercises designed to further support posture and embouchure, facility, reading and sight-reading skills.
- Demonstrate care and maintenance for personal/school instrument.
- Offer constructive suggestions for improvement for self and others.
- Show intergration in understanding of in class instruction with designated at home assignments.
- Develop techniques in holding sectionals with peers on needed basis.
- Develop skills in understanding and performing solo literature.
- Range of instrument: Picc - D3 to C5; Flute C3-C5; Oboe Bb2-E5; Clarinet E2-G5/Low Clarinets Eb2-C4; All Saxophone Bb2-F5; Bassoon Bb-F3; Trumpet F#2-C5, French Horn E2-A4 Trombone/Baritone F1-G3 and Tuba C-E2

## **Transfer Goals**

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1. Students will be able to develop abilities to rehearse/perform in an ensemble demonstrating balance and blend as it relates to the pyramid of sound, intonation and good critical listening skills.
2. Students will be able to intergrate in class and at home practice in performance abilities on assigned instrument.

## **Resources**

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Instruments (personal and public school owned)

music stands

chairs

chromebooks

select pieces for ensemble (changes per year)

Smartmusic

google classroom

F1 Studio

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Sound Innovations (Band Method Book)

## **Assessment**

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## **Modifications**

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