

Bath Elementary School

Music Curriculum Overview

2nd & 3rd Grade

Standards: [Michigan Grade Level Content Expectations for Visual Arts, Music, Dance, and Theatre](#)

Topics Covered

Full Year
Singing Playing simple percussion instruments Basic music reading Music listening and analysis

Focus Skills and Concepts

- Read music: simple rhythms.
- Sing in large and small groups.
- Perform rhythmically using body percussion and simple percussion instruments.
- Describe music played for the class.
- Identify and perform simple musical forms: ABA, Verse/Chorus/Round.
- Participate in a public performance.
- Identify half, quarter, eighth notes and rests.
- Explain the difference between melody and harmony.
- Know terminology for dynamics: crescendo, decrescendo, piano, forte.

Essential questions students can answer at the end of the course:

- What was a favorite song this year? What did you like best about it?
- What are some different notes and rests?
- What are some musical terms you can use to describe music?

Performances

Winter/Holiday Musical Program (December)