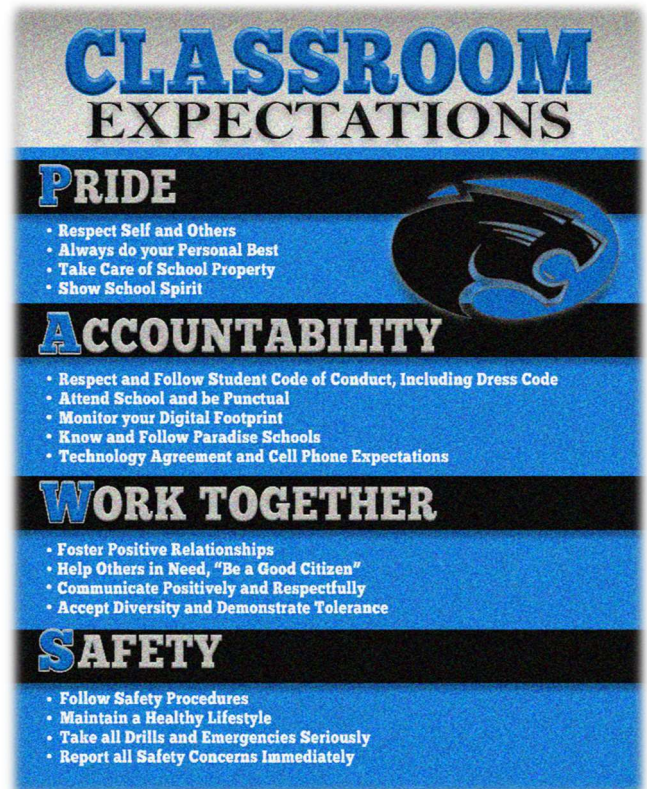


# PIANO I/II



## Course Description

This course is designed to teach students the fundamentals of playing the piano by learning proper playing techniques and mastering music theory skills. Students will have the opportunity to perform piano pieces for the class and gain an understanding of melodic and chordal structure, rhythmic patterns and use of expression in music by focusing on music history, key composers and basic music concepts.



## Course Objectives

- Students will study basic to intermediate note reading and general characteristics of piano performance., such as posture, technique, and incorporating music elements.
- Students will apply knowledge of melodic structure and use of intervals and accidentals in piano performance.
- Students will apply knowledge of harmonic structure and use of chord progressions in piano performance.
- Students will create their own composition using foundational concepts learned throughout the year.

## Classroom Policies, Procedures, & Grading

**Entering Class:** Gather any necessary materials, quickly find your seat, and begin working on the assignment posted on the board. This is a timed five-minute activity.

**Office Hours:** I am available before school Mon-Wed and after school Monday and Tuesday. Please make an appointment if any additional time is needed.

**Food and Drinks:** Only water is permitted inside the classroom.

**Technology policy:** Please see PHHS Handbook for policy on the use of electronic devices in the classroom.

**Exiting Class:** In the last five minutes of class, you will wrap

up what you are working on and return materials to the appropriate locations. The teacher, not the bell, dismisses you upon completion of these tasks.

**Absences:** If you are absent, it is your responsibility to make up missed assignments. You have

one day to make up missed assignments for each day absent.

### Grading Policy:

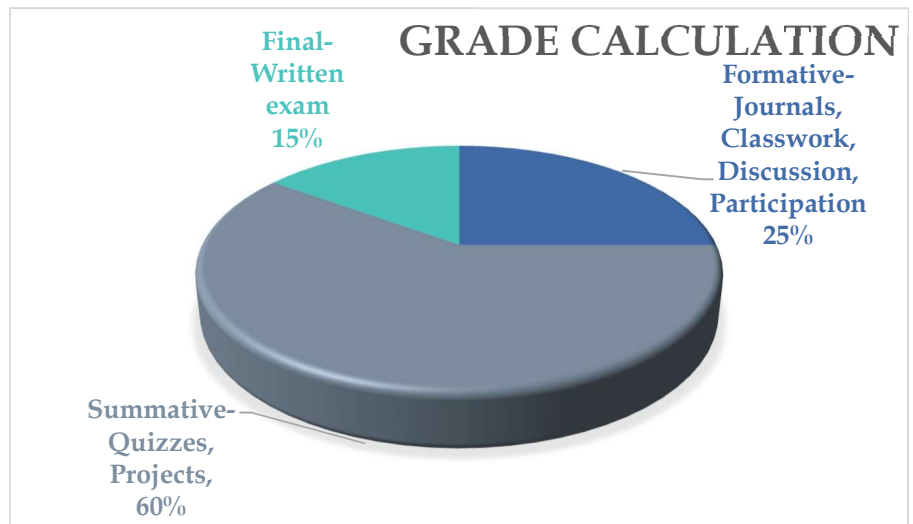
90-100% A (4.00)

80-89% B (3.00)

70-79% C (2.00)

<69% Failing: No credit

shall be earned



### YOU WILL NEED:

- Three ring binder (1 in.)
- Loose leaf paper
- Pencils
- Highlighters
- Folder
- A Gmail account
- Earbuds

DUE BY: Friday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>

### Classroom Consequences

- **Warning**
- **Phone Call Home**
- **Lunch Detention**
- **Office Referral**

*“Life without music can only be seen in black and white. It takes music to add the color.”*  
- Artie Shaw