Music Program Information and Policies 2019-2020

Peace Lutheran School

Peace Lutheran Bands

- 1. Beginning Band (5th grade)
- 2. Advanced Band (6-8th grade)

Each band meets twice a week and participates in different concerts throughout the year. Our band program is a part of Valley Lutheran's band program under the direction of Mrs. Sugden. For more information on our band program contact Mrs. Sugden at rsugden@vlhs.com.

Peace Lutheran Choirs

- 1. Wee Worshipers (PreS/PreK/Kinder)
- 2. Faithful Singers (1st-2nd grade)
- 3. Kids Praise! (3-5th grade)
- 4. Joyful Nosie Choir (6-8th grade*)
 *6-7th grade students are required to choose a music (band or choir) class, and 8th grade students can elective to take a music class.

Worship Offerings

Our students provide worship offerings during chapel and church services through music once per quarter. Students are expected to participate in all musical events and worship offerings as this is a direct application of the skills they are learning in class and as a tradition of our Lutheran heritage. Students receive academic credit for these worship offerings as they are important to the overall music program. For updates throughout the year please check JupiterEd or the Panther Prints.

Worship Offerings Guidelines

Worship offerings for chapel services are in the gym and the church services at the Adams Campus. All choirs will meet in the music/choir room at both campuses unless otherwise noted **except PreS and PreK**. The choir room at church is located in the basement.

Warm-up Time



Arrive **fifteen minutes before** any church service or concert unless noted otherwise. Please see the following times for arrival to church services:

*8:45 a.m. for 9:00 a.m. service

*11:00 a.m. for 11:15 a.m. service

*6:15 p.m. for 6:30 p.m. service

Dress Code

Choir members are required to be in complete uniform at all church services and concerts.

School Clothes = Chapel
Dress Clothes = Church, Christmas Program, and
the Fine Arts Festival

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Dress clothes includes nice shirt, slacks, and dress shoes. Girls may also wear skirts or dresses (school appropriate). No jeans, t-shirts, or sweatshirts.

Attendance

Attendance at all performances is mandatory. Students are allowed one excused absence due to a prior commitment. That excuse cannot be used on our Fine Arts Festival or Christmas Program. All other absences are considered unexcused.

Acceptable excuses are as follows:

Illness Family Emergency

*Please contact Mrs. Keller if you attend a different church to discuss different options.

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Grading

Grading is weighted as follows:

30% = Class Participation

40% = Worship Offerings and Concerts

30% = Skills and Abilities

Music grading is standard-based using the following scale:

4 = Above standard

3 = At standard

2 = Approaching standard

1 = Below standard

All grades for the weighted sections, class participation, church music and concerts, and skills and abilities will all use the standard-based grading scale.

Class Participation

To achieve a 3 (at standard), students need to participate in all activities during class. A class participation grade will be assigned for each week of classes.

Worship Offerings and Concerts

To achieve a 3 (at standard), students need to be on time for practice in order to receive a 3 (at standard) for worship offerings and concerts.

School behavior is expected during warm up time and during any worship offering or concert.

Skills and Abilities

To achieve a 3 (at standard), students need to be able to meet the standard presented during class for any skills we are working on. For example, I can play an instrument to accompany a song. A student must be able to play an instrument musically to a song.

"Next to the Word of God, the noble art of music is the greatest treasure in the world." –Martin Luther

