

KINDERGARTEN MUSIC

Kindergarten Music Class is full of singing, dancing and playing classroom instruments. The beginning of the year focuses on learning all of the classroom instruments. During that time, we also focus on how to keep a steady beat. Throughout the year we focus on contrasting elements of music such as fast/slow, high/low, upward/downward. By the end of the year, kindergarteners are reading simple quarter note and eighth note rhythms as well as singing the pitches *sol* and *mi* with hand signs.

By the end of Kindergarten....

Steady Beat

- Students will understand steady beat is a beat that stays the same tempo throughout
- Students will identify a steady beat
- Students will independently play a steady beat

Rhythm

- Students can read and play *Ta*, *Ti-ti* and rest to a steady beat



Melody



- Students will understand *So* is higher than *Mi*
- Students will match pitch with *So* and *Mi* patterns
- Students will read *so* and *mi* patterns

Contrasting Elements

- Students will play, move and sing music that is fast/slow, high/low and loud/soft