



# THE DR. G.W. WILLIAMS SECONDARY SCHOOL

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## The Dr. G. W. Williams Secondary School Music Department

The Music Department welcomes you to one of the most exciting and rewarding educational ventures York Region Schools have to offer – MUSIC! You will become a better musician as well as learn many life-long skills. Music teaches teamwork, discipline, striving for excellence and commitment to your fellow band members. Music at Williams is a performance based program which will help build self –confidence and enhance your contribution to life at Williams.

### Assessment & Evaluation

This is based on the provincial curriculum expectations and the Achievement Chart for Music. There are four categories with four levels of achievement.

- Level 1 – 50 – 59%
- Level 2 - 60 – 69%
- Level 3 – 70 – 79%
- Level 4 – 80 -100%

A student whose mark is below 50% will not earn a credit for the course. Your final mark will appear on the report card as a percent. This is a combination of 70% term work, and 30% on a final summative assessment.

	<u>Catagories</u>	<u>Term Tasks</u>	<u>Final Tasks</u>
1	<u>Knowledge /Understanding</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Theory assignments</li> <li>• History assignments</li> <li>• Repertoire concepts</li> </ul>	15%	<u>Final Activities</u> (Theory, History, Listening) = 10 %  <u>Final Exam</u> (Practical Performance) = 20%
2	<u>Application</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Practical performance (tone, rhythm, articulation)</li> <li>• Rehearsals, festivals</li> <li>• Concerts</li> </ul>	25%	
3	<u>Thinking/Inquiry</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Literacy, research skills</li> <li>• Career inquiry</li> <li>• Creativity assignments</li> <li>• Scales and studies</li> </ul>	15%	
4	<u>Communication</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Journals on practice</li> <li>• Oral presentations</li> <li>• Reading, writing, listening, speaking</li> </ul>	15%	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>70%</b>	30%

Late Policy  
For work to be handed in

- A due date and a deadline are given
- The work is due on the due date
- Work not handed in before the deadline will be given a Zero (0 %)
- Special circumstances will be evaluated by the teacher



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Learning Skills – works independently, teamwork, organization, work habits/homework, initiative – will also be assessed regularly through the year.

## **Expectations:**

- Bring a pencil and music notebook everyday to class
- Be prepared with your instrument and music
- Arrive on time and begin warm up routines
- Show care and respect for the instruments, music and learning environment
- Extra help is always available
- If you are absent for an evaluation see your teacher for a make-up when you return to class
- Regular practicing

Studying music at William is an opportunity to enjoy a new level of communication and self expression. Creativity is within all of us and the language of music serves as a perfect vehicle to allow this personal growth and development.

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*I have read the Welcome Letter from the Dr. G.W. Williams S.S. Music Department*

Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_