

AN INTRODUCTION TO IB MUSIC AT COLUMBIA RIVER H.S.

All students, except in exceptional circumstances, are to register as Standard Level – Group Performance (SLG). Students wishing to pursue a different subject area in music must pre-clear this with Mr. KC before being allowed to continue.

Your program is made up of three parts:

Group Performance

- This will make up 50% of your final grade
- The recording must be between 20 and 30 minutes in length
- They must be public performances
- All students in the ensemble will receive the same score
- Assessments are made of; selection of programme (4 marks), technical proficiency (6 marks), Understanding of style (4 marks), and musical communication (6 marks)
- This score is assessed internally

Listening Paper (perception test)

- This will make up 30% of your final grade
- IB recommends at least 45 hours of class time in preparation for this exam
- It is a five question exam, lasting 2 hours and 15 minutes
- Each question is worth 20 marks, for 100 marks total
- The prescribed works this year are; Aaron Copland, *El Salon Mexico*, and W.A. Mozart, *Symphony No. 41*
- Students will also be asked to respond to three works from the worlds of; jazz and pop, western art music, and world music
- Students will be expected to; recognize, describe, analyze, discuss (including arguments and hypotheses), and examine, identify connections with other music

Musical Links Investigation (media presentation)

This will make up 20% of your final grade

- IB recommends at least 30 hours of class time in preparation for this paper
- This should be a sustained investigation that is self-directed
- It should be a musical investigation of two distinct musical cultures
- There must be two or more musical links between cultures
- Avoid works where one piece has influenced the other
- This piece must be presented as a “media script” of no more than 2000 words
- It must include a complete bibliography and discography
- It must be presented in paper form
- Supporting material may be presented
 - A CD of no more than 5 minutes
 - Music Notation
 - Photographs
 - Diagrams