Grade Level Expectation – Kindergarten

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Kindergarten students will study the following objectives. Each objective is taught through multiple teaching strategies including physical preparation, aural preparation, and visual preparation. The main focus for the kindergarten year is to create a song, rhyme and game repertoire for future learning, help students become comfortable using their singing voice, and introduce the basic music elements. After objectives have been identified and named, they will be practiced through part work, inner hearing, listening, and games and dances. Each class includes vocal activities to promote in-tune singing.

Objectives for assessment to be completed by the end of kindergarten:

1. Musical Skill: Student will sing with accurate pitch and demonstrate the feeling for the steady beat.
2. Literacy: Student will visually recognize long and short patterns, and melodic direction.
3. Analysis: Student will identify various tone colors, instrumental and vocal, and music expressive elements as: fast/slow, loud/soft, high/low, and phrases as same/different.
4. History and Literature: Student will distinguish between different musical styles, (lullaby, march, game, etc.); and identify songs of instrumental or vocal performance.