**Art & Music Newsletter**

Gulfport Montessori Elementary 2022-2023 School Year

ART

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Welcome Back!! I am excited to start my 6th year teaching Art here at GME! In the Art Room, scholars will have the opportunity to draw, paint, sculpt, use mixed media, digital technology, and a variety of other art experiences.

**Art Room Success:** Scholars are responsible for following the five “Art Room Expectations” during their weekly Art time. Working together to achieve great things, starts with these helpful procedures.

Expectations are as follows:

* Find your seat and be ready to start when entering the art room
* Listen to directions and begin your work
* Stay focused and try your best to complete the daily tasks
* Clean-up responsibly
* Line-up and exit the room quietly

**Grading in Art**

Each scholar earns a weekly “Participation” grade based on following classroom expectations and participating in weekly goals/tasks. Scholars also receive a “Project” grade when art projects are completed. Grades are posted in focus during each grading period.

**2022/2023 Art Events**

* Opportunities for students to have their artwork selected for local Art Exhibitions
* Art Club opportunities for 4th and 5th graders
* All School Art Show

 MUSIC

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I am super excited to welcome your scholars to MUSIC!

Here’s what you need to know:

We learn music by experiencing it first through creative movement, singing, and playing instruments. Music instruction includes learning the basics of reading music and playing various classroom instruments like drums, xylophones, ukuleles, and recorders.

Our classroom expectations are:

* Make Good Choices
* Use kind words
* Show respect
* Involve yourself
* Care for your classroom and instruments

**Grading in Music**

Scholars are graded on their daily participation and will have four assessments on skills and knowledge each grading period. Scholars are expected to participate in every class and follow all classroom expectations and procedures. If behavior issues consistently hinder class participation, it will be reflected in the participation grades. Grades are posted in Focus every week.

**2022/2023 Music Events**

* All grade levels will perform in concerts
* Chorus and Ukulele Club for 4th and 5th graders