## PETERS TOWNSHIP MIDDLE SCHOOL COURSE SYLLABUS: 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE COMPREHENSIVE MUSIC

Course Information	Teacher Information
Course Length: 12 Weeks	Name: Larry Lucas

## **Course Overview and Essential Skills**

Seventh Grade Comprehensive Music is provided to students everyday for twelve weeks. The program is aimed at a variety of musical experiences. The program is also aimed at developing general music abilities through piano and vocal performance and creative music abilities. The class builds on elementary music experiences in learning to read and write music as well as listen to a variety of musical forms and styles. Some of the class goals are: to develop a musical literacy, explore and develop skills using electronic multi-timbral, programmable keyboard instruments and explore and develop skills using computer music software.

## **Course Textbook, Supplemental Resources and Required Materials**

"Alfred's Basic Piano / Keyboard Course"	"Sounds of the Cities"
"Exploring the Blues"	Various supplementals

## **Course Outline of Material Covered:**

Unit or Topic	<b>Course Activities/Resources</b>	Timeframe
Piano basics and reading and writing music	Alfred's Basic Piano Course & various supplementals	12 weeks intermittently
Patriotic Singing	"The Star Spangled Banner" & various patriotic songs	1-2 weeks
Music Theater (styles, history, listening overview, and acting & singing)	TBA annually	2-3 weeks
"American Music Cities" Unit (various genres of music in various regions	"Sounds of the Cities" & various supplementals	8 weeks intermittently
Blues Music (styles, history, and listening overview)	"Exploring the Blues" & various supplementals	1-2 weeks
Music Artist Project	School library, public library, & the internet	4-6 weeks

\*Depending on the needs of the class or changes in the school year, the course outline is subject to change.