

STUDENT PROFICIENCIES

The student will be able to:

1. Assemble and disassemble the instrument properly.
2. Care for and maintain the instrument.
3. Produce good tone quality and intonation with the instrument, using proper embouchure, and breath support.
4. Display proper posture and hand position.
5. Develop logical phrasing and breath control.
6. Develop accurate articulation and releases.
7. Display control of dynamic levels, tempo markings, articulation, and other interpretive nuances.
8. Display a knowledge and accurate performance of rhythms and meters.
9. Display knowledge and interpretation of key signatures and accidentals.
10. Develop an awareness of pitch and intonation.
11. Practice on a consistent basis.
12. Recognize forms and patterns in music.
13. Strive for a high level of artistic performance.
14. Express musical thought through improvisation.
15. Explore and perform appropriate musical literature that is both challenging and achievable.
16. Express music according to the intent of the composer.
17. Explore compositional techniques.
18. Display an understanding of music technology as it relates to instrumental music.
19. Utilize and interpret proper musical notation.