



# Piano Keyboarding I and II Class Expectations

In Piano Keyboarding I, you will learn the basics of playing the piano and reading music. In Piano Keyboarding II, you will continue to increase your skill levels gained from Piano Keyboarding I.

## Practice?

Playing the piano is an acquired skill. It is necessary that you practice on a regular basis to do well in this class. It is not how long you spend at each practice session but how consistently you do so. 10 to 15 minutes daily is sufficient at the beginning of Piano Keyboarding I coursework; however, as you progress in your skill and material increases in difficulty, you will need to add time to your daily routine. Piano Keyboarding II students should plan on starting with 30 minute practice sessions increasing the amount of time as material requires.

## HELP!

If you need extra help and/or practice time, both Mr. Carpenter and Mrs. Heaton are available by appointment to help you. If you do not have a keyboard at home, keyboards are available in the classroom or choral/band practice rooms before and/or after school for your use. Please talk with your instructor so that mutually convenient arrangements may be made for you to use them.

## Expectations for both classes are that you will:

- Be at your assigned keyboard station by the tone – PHS tardy policy **will** apply
- Bring your piano book and a writing utensil to class on a **daily** basis
- Finish your food and/or drink before entering the classroom
- Be respectful of the classroom equipment, your fellow students and instructor
- Leave your computer off unless instructed otherwise
- Work on assigned class material when given practice time.
- Participate in all group activities to the best of your ability – effort is most important at all times
- Turn off and put away your IPOD during class
- Turn off your keyboard and stow your headphones in the proper place at the end of class each day

## Your class grade will be based upon:

- Playing tests
- Written quizzes/tests
- Group activity participation
- Homework assignments

## Your final exam will consist of:

- Written Exam – music information learned throughout the course
- Participation in Final Class Recital – playing your choice of required material in recital fashion for classmates at the end of the course (punch and cookies eaten afterward!)



**Congratulations! You are now on your way toward learning a skill you will enjoy for a lifetime!**