

**Bakersfield City School District**  
**2022-2023 Third Grade Recorder Program - Scope and Sequence**

**Monthly Overview**

September	Key Concepts and Lesson Elements	Curriculum
9/26 - first week of instruction (1 class in September)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Steady beat</li> <li>● Left hand versus right hand</li> <li>● High and Low</li> <li>● Positions- rest, ready, playing, and Statue of Liberty (see images in resource list)</li> <li>● Four/five voices (whisper, speak (play) sing, shout)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Quaver</li> <li>● Rote teaching</li> <li>● Images for recorder positions (see below)</li> <li>● <a href="#">Yamaha Advantage Recorder Book - Slides</a></li> </ul>
October	Key Concepts and Lesson Elements	Curriculum
3 weeks of instruction in October (No instruction during parent conference week)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Pass out recorders to students</li> <li>● Reinforce all September concepts and elements</li> <li>● Introduce rhythm and begin reading rhythms               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ quarter, eighth, and corresponding rests</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Introduce staff terminology               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Musical staff</li> <li>○ Lines vs spaces</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Notes: B A G</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Quaver Games to reinforce concepts (i.e. recorder olympics)</li> <li>● <a href="#">Rhythm Videos</a> (Mumau)</li> <li>● <a href="#">Yamaha Advantage Recorder Book - Slides</a></li> </ul>
November	Key Concepts and Lesson Elements	Curriculum
4 weeks of instruction (Veterans Day holiday and Thanksgiving Break)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Begin concert/informance preparation (2-3 pieces)</li> <li>● Introduce and practice Play-Sing-Play format</li> <li>● Singing in head voice (not chest/shouting)</li> <li>● Practice with accompaniment for concert</li> <li>● Introduce new notes in addition to G A B, add C' D'</li> <li>● New rhythms: half and whole notes and corresponding rests</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <a href="#">Accompaniment Tracks</a></li> <li>● Winter Repertoire</li> <li>● <a href="#">Yamaha Advantage Recorder Book - Slides</a></li> </ul>

December	Key Concepts and Lesson Elements	Curriculum
2 weeks of instruction + Winter Concert week (Winter Break)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Review all known concepts from August - November</li> <li>● Focus on Concert Preparations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Will you use CD accompaniment or live piano accompaniment?</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Final rehearsal in the cafeteria <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Consider logistics</li> <li>○ Collaborate with classroom teachers</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Concert and assemblies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <a href="#">Accompaniment Tracks</a></li> <li>● Winter Repertoire</li> <li>● <a href="#">Yamaha Advantage Recorder Book - Slides</a></li> </ul>
January	Key Concepts and Lesson Elements	Curriculum
4 weeks of instruction (MLK Holiday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Review and reinforce all concepts</li> <li>● Reinforce rhythms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ whole, half, quarter, eighth, and corresponding rests</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Reinforce known note names <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Teach all nine notes</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Begin to teach an elementary festival song</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Quaver</li> <li>● Elementary Festival - Recorder Selections</li> </ul>
February	Key Concepts and Lesson Elements	Curriculum
4 weeks of instruction (2 monday holidays- Lincoln Day Holiday and President's Day Holiday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Review and reinforce all concepts</li> <li>● Continue to review and reinforce literacy skills</li> <li>● Focus on improved singing skills (emphasis on using head voice)</li> <li>● Continue working on elementary festival music</li> <li>● Begin to introduce other instruments and instrument families</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Elementary Festival - Recorder Selections</li> <li>● Quaver - Families of Instruments</li> <li>● Quaver - Note Reading Games</li> <li>● Yamaha Book - Intro to Instruments</li> </ul>

March	Key Concepts and Lesson Elements	Curriculum
3 weeks of instruction (no instruction during parent teacher conference week)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Memorize festival music</li> <li>● Prepare for concert</li> <li>● Practice: Play-Sing-Play</li> <li>● Play C major scale</li> <li>● Begin preparations for next year (think recruitment for next fall)</li> <li>● Continue to introduce other instruments and instrument families</li> <li>● Begin process of selecting students for festival participation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Elementary Festival - Recorder Selections</li> <li>● Teacher's choice for reinforcing known notes and rhythms as well as all other previously learned key concepts</li> </ul>
April	Key Concepts and Lesson Elements	Curriculum
3 weeks of instruction (Spring Break - 1 week + monday off)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Spring Concert preparations (performing festival music)</li> <li>● Festival preparations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Practice all recorder selections and patriotic finale</li> <li>○ Memorize all festival music</li> <li>○ Continue festival selection process</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Preparations for next year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ continue to introduce the instruments</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Enrichment of General Music Concepts</li> <li>● Listening Skills</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Elementary Festival - Recorder Selections</li> <li>● Quaver</li> <li>● Teacher's choice for additional material</li> </ul>
May	Key Concepts and Lesson Elements	Curriculum
2 weeks of instruction (May 15th Elementary Festival)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Finish festival selection process during last lesson</li> <li>● Participate in the Elementary Festival Concert</li> <li>● Recruitment for the following year</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Elementary Festival - Recorder Selections</li> <li>● Quaver</li> <li>● Teacher's choice for additional material</li> </ul>



## Recorder/General Music Resources

- [Accompaniment Tracks](#)
- [Kodaly Recorder Resources](#)
- [Music Teacher Walker - Youtube Channel](#)
- [Music Teacher Walker - Recorder Playlist](#)
- Recorder Positions (See below)
- [Rhythm Videos - Mumau](#)
- [Yamaha Advantage Recorder Book - Slides](#)
- [Yamaha Advantage Recorder Book - PDF](#)

