Principal

Royal West Academy

Standards and Procedures 2026-2027

Secondary Evaluation Plan | Parent Information

1. GENERAL INFORMATION			
Subject	Music (Arts 1 component	**Course code**	669104
Cycle / Level	Secondary 1		
Class group(s)		Date this document was shared with parents	by Sept 30, 2026
Teacher Information: Name & Email contact	Sheila Macleod / Ginette Purdy smacleod2@emsb.qc.ca / gpurdy@emsb.qc.ca		

2. COURSE DESCRIPTION

In Secondary 1, students will experience music in the following ways:
By learning the fundamentals of playing a concert band instrument
Through the development of musical literacy
By developing a disciplined approach to individual practice
By following a clear structure for learning in a classroom (band) environment
Through the exploration of sound production and the relationship between silence and sound

3. TEXTBOOKS, PLATFORMS, AND REQUIRED MATERIALS

Primary textbook or workbook	Accent on Achievement Book 1
Supplementary materials	Pencil, eraser, instrument accessories such as
Digital platforms	M.S. Teams
Daily required materials	Concert band instrument, method book
Optional but recommended materials	
Replacement or fee information, if applicable	

4. COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS AND STUDENTS

Required communications

Parents receive one written communication by October 15 and three report cards no later than November 20, March 15, and July 10. Additional communication will be provided when a student is at risk of not meeting expectations, when behaviour concerns arise, or when an individualized education plan requires it.

Communication may include:

■ Mozaïk Parent Portal	■ Email	☐ Agenda / planner
■ Phone calls	☐ Meetings	☐ Other:
☐ IEP	☐ Virtual Platform (Google Class or TEAMS)	☐ Other:

Report Cards - Timeline for distribution to parents

Communication	Legal deadline	School target date to publish to parents	Notes
First written communication	*By October 15*	October 15, 2026	Focus on adjustment, progress, work habits, and early concerns.
Term 1 report card	*By November 20*	November 16, 2026	Counts for 20% of the final mark.
Term 2 report card	*By March 15*	February 22, 2027	Counts for 20% of the final mark.
Term 3 report card	*By July 10*	June 23, 2027	Counts for 60% of the final mark.

5. EVALUATION OVERVIEW

Important statement on evaluation

Evaluation is based on the development of competencies and on sufficient, varied, and relevant evidence of learning each are weighted according to the teacher's professional judgement and included as such in the term mark therefore a final judgment is not a simple term average of individual marks it is**.** It reflects the teacher's professional judgment, progress over time, and the overall level of competency development.

Evidence of learning may include:

■ Assignments	■ Tests / quizzes	☐ Exams
☐ Projects	■ Performance tasks	☐ Labs / practical tasks
☐ Presentations	☐ Portfolios	■ Observations
■ Classwork	☐ Conferences	■ Participation connected to competencies
■ Rubrics	■ LES *(Learning Evaluation Situation)*	☐ Other

6. COMPETENCIES AND METHODS OF EVALUATION

The competencies and % framework weighting listed below correspond to the same subject competencies listed in the school's Summary Standard & Procedure as per MEQ requirements. *(Reference: 26-27 Summary Standard & Procedures published by the school in June 2026*

Term 1 evaluation | Annual weighting: 20%

Competency	Framework wighting of the competency	Planned evidence of learning	Approximate timing	Emphasis / notes
	%			
	%			
	%			

Term 2 evaluation | Annual weighting: 20%

Competency	Framework wighting of the competency	Planned evidence	Approximate timing	Emphasis / notes
Creates and performs musical	70 %	Regular scheduled playing te	Every 1-2 cycles	
Listens and appreciates	30 %	Theory/reflective assignmen	3-4 short assignments	
	%			

Term 3 evaluation | Annual weighting: 60%

Competency	Framework wighting of the competency	Planned evidence	Approximate timing	Emphasis / notes
Creates and performs musical	70 %	Regular scheduled playing te	Every 1-2 cycles	
Listens and appreciates	30 %	Theory and reflective assign	3-4 short assignments	
	%			

7. GENERAL COMPETENCIES – Cross-Curricular Competencies

Report card comments

At least one general competency is commented on during the year. Schools may choose a common schedule by term.

This school year the cross-curricular competencies will be report on by the Science or Arts teachers.

General competency	Term 1		Term 3
Exercises critical judgment			
Organizes work			
Communicates effectively			
Works in a team			

8. FINAL EVALUATIONS, SCHOOL BOARD EVALUATIONS, AND MEQ EXAMINATIONS

For all uniform exams, the teachers will be communicating the Exam Schedule when time comes.

Type of evaluation/examination	Applicable	How final evaluations are included	Important dates or timeline
School mid-year evaluation	No		
School end-of-year evaluation	No		
School board common evaluation	No		
MEQ examination	No		

9. TUTORIAL AND EXTRA HELP

Please find below the planned support *(subject to change throughout the school year. Each teacher will keep the students informed as needed)*

- Students are encouraged to seek clarification early.
- Extra help may support concept review, assignment completion, preparation for evaluations, and feedback on learning.

Planned Support	Extra help	Time frame	12:30-1:10pm

Room 117 is open every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at lunch for individual practice and remediation.

Teacher expectations

Students will be assigned an instrument to use for the duration of the music course.Parents and stu

Other supports			

Morning or afternoon remediation times by appointment.

10. STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES AND CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS

Attendance and participation	Regular attendance and active participation help students demonstrate competency development and provide sufficient evidence for evaluation. This course culminates in a public performance for parents which will take place during regular class time. Results for this course will appear
Homework and practice	Homework, practice, and preparation tasks support learning. It is expected that music students practice their instruments 15-20 minutes per day.
Academic integrity	Students must submit their own work, cite sources when required, and use digital tools, including AI tools, only as permitted by the teacher and the school's code of conduct.
Technology use	For academic purposes students may be asked/ allowed to use certain technological tools (Apps, cell phones, AI)
Learning behaviours	Effort, organization, collaboration, and respect for classroom expectations contribute to successful learning.

11. MISSED ASSIGNMENTS, LATE WORK, AND MISSED EVALUATIONS

Guiding principle

The goal is to gather enough valid evidence to evaluate competency development. Consequences for late or missing work must be applied consistently and should not replace professional judgment about what a student has demonstrated.

Missed assignments	Students are expected to submit assignments by the established deadline. In the case of absence, students must obtain missed work and complete it within a reasonable timeline determined with the teacher.
Persistent non-submission	Persistent non-submission will limit the teacher's ability to gather sufficient evidence of learning and may require additional communication with parents.
Missed tests or evaluations	A justified absence may require documentation. A make-up evaluation or alternative evidence may be scheduled at the teacher's discretion or school's procedure.
Unjustified absence from an evaluation	The teacher may use alternative evaluation, existing evidence, or note insufficient evidence, according to school procedures.
Extensions or accommodations	Students requiring accommodations should speak with the teacher.
Individualized Educational Plan (IEP)	Adaptations linked to an individualized education plan will be respected.