

COURSE TITLE: Beginning Instruments, Guitar – Mr. Sargent

Level of Difficulty	Estimated Homework	Prerequisites
Min-mod	minimal	District: None

Course Description:

This is a new course that will be taught by Mr. Sargent, the NPHS Choir Director for students who want to learn how to play the guitar in a variety of musical styles. The class is designed to help students gain a basic proficiency with the guitar and music notation. Students will learn basic chords and strumming, finger style and pick style right hand techniques, playing rhythm guitar, learning barre chords, major and pentatonic scales, improvisation, key signatures, tablature, chord charts, lead sheets, and capo use. Entire songs will be learned and memorized and students will be given an opportunity to learn singing with guitar accompaniment. Students will also learn how to tune and maintain their instruments including string choice and learning altered tunings.

Grading:

Students will be assessed on in-class practice and improvement. Students will perform entire songs in class.

Syllabus:

TBA

Supplemental Information:

Students who do not have an instrument may use one from our classroom. Students may use their own steel string acoustic guitar, classical nylon string acoustic guitar or electric guitar with headphone amp. (Please note, this is not a ukulele class)