7th/8th Grade Summer Listening List for 2019 - 19 School Year: 21st Century PA Music

The following are some songs that we have already looked at but have not performed, or songs that I am considering for the 2018 -19 school year with 7th and 8th grade music. Some you may already have charts but if not, all are very easy to find online by simply searching the song title > chords and lyrics. We may or may not be performing some of these titles with full class groups, others we can perhaps perform with small groups pulled from each class/grade. And we will be looking at many more when we get back to school in the fall, with your suggestions welcomed. This is just a start.

So listen and get these into your heads and try to prepare what you can by listening...A LOT over the summer. Let's hit the ground running in the fall!

"Bidi Bidi Bom Bom" Selena

- key of Bb / reggae feel, three chords (Bb - Eb - F) - or play @ capo 3 in G (G - C - D)

"Complicated" Avril Lavigne

- key of F, acoustics @ capo 3 in D
- "Crazy" Patsy Cline (vocal solo Sarah Muller)
 - key of Bb, play @ capo 1 in A (or capo to vocal)
 - lots of barre chords

"Crazy Little Thing Called Love" Queen

- key of D

- "Fade Into You" Mazzy Star
 - key of A (A E Bm) or @ capo 2 in G (G D Am)
 - meter of 6

"Far From Home" Five Finger Death Punch

- key of Bm, three chords (Bm A G)
- in drop D tuning but can be played adapted to standard
- acoustic finger style intro, electric power chords

"Fight Song" Rachel Platten

- key of G, four chords (G C Em D)
- play with 4 finger G to C9 (all in 2nd 3rd fret)

"Hotel California" The Eagles

- key of Bm, play open or @ capo 2 in Am

"Inside Out" Eve 6

- key of B, all on power and barre chords

"Kryptonite" 3 Doors Down

- key of Bm, mostly 3 chords (Bm - G - A) with F# with lead

"La Bamba" traditional Mexican / Ritchie Valens (rock) version - key of C, three chords (C - F - G) and lead

"My Girl" The Temptations - key of C with bass lead "Rebel Rebel" David Bowie

- key of A, four chords (A D Bm E)
- lead rid off of D shape from 4th to 2nd fret
- "Redemption Song" Bob Marley - key of G
- "Rivers of Babylon" Melodians / Sublime
 - key of G, three chords (G D C)
- "Set Fire To The Rain" Adele (vocal duet Dakota Bohman and Eva Johnson) - key of Dm or @ capo 3 in Bm
- "Sheena Is A Punk Rocker" The Ramones
 - key of C, play on all power chords
- "Somebody That I Used To Know" Gotye
 - key of Dm, play on A string power chords (D5 C5 Bb5)

"Spiderwebs" No Doubt

- key of Bb, four chords (Bb Eb Gm F) with guitar and bass leads
- all power and barre chords
- "Stairway To Heaven" Led Zeppelin
 - key of Am, three chords (Am G F) with finger style lead

"Sweet Home Alabama" Lynyrd Skynyrd

- key of D (with an open F) with guitar lead

"What's Up" 4 Non Blonds

- key of A or @ capo 2 in G

"You Really Got Me" The Kinks

- key of G on all power chords (G5 - A5 - C5)