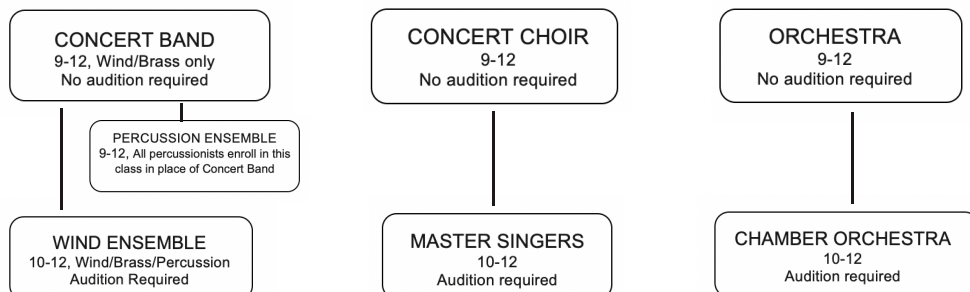




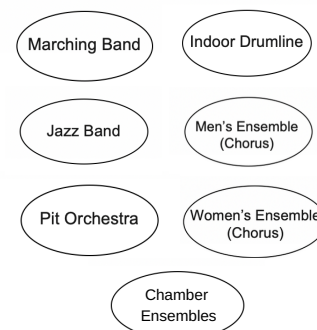
PERFORMING ENSEMBLE CLASSES

9th graders: Register for either Concert Band, Concert Choir, or Orchestra (1 Credit). Since they meet during the same period, you have the option of participating in more than one! (Band/Chorus/Orchestra)



CO-CURRICULAR ENSEMBLES (AFTER SCHOOL)

As a registered member of one of our performing ensemble classes, you can participate in any of these (and more!)



CAN BAND/ORCHESTRA/CHORUS FIT IN MY SCHEDULE?

YES! Our class schedule of up to 8 credits per year will allow students to take a full schedule of classes (including A.P.'s and foreign language) AND participate in one of our performing ensembles.

Students who participate in Band/Chorus/Orchestra tend to be very busy people with varied interests. There are many things to accomplish in your high school years, but if anyone can do it, it's a motivated and driven student like YOU! You need to take a look at the big picture and PLAN how you can fit in all the courses that you'd like to take in your four years.

Each year, you have 8 credits to spend. The required courses take up 4.5 credits each year (additional .5 for AP Science). You also need to take HS 101 in 9th Grade (.5), Career Development in 11th Grade (.5) and Health (.5) in 9th or 10th Grade. That leaves 12.5 credits that are totally up to YOU to choose. These are called electives. Over the course of your high school career, you only need to use 4 of these credits in order to participate in our Band/Chorus/Orchestra program. That's one credit per year and you get to play your instrument and/or sing in as many musical ensembles as you'd like! Our large curricular ensembles to run at the same time so that students can rotate between ensembles (alternate days). That leaves 8.5 credits for you to fill with any other classes you like!

There may be a class that you can't fit in your 9th grade year, but you can fit in your senior year. PLAN AHEAD. What are your career interests and goals? If you plan to go into the sciences, use those remaining 8.5 credits to take additional science and math courses. If you love Art, use some of those credits for Art classes. If you just want to have a well-balanced high school resume, take some Foreign Language credits and various other offerings that appeal to you. If your schedule is super-tight, some students choose to make room by taking Phys. Ed over the summer. You may want to consider this option. Here is a sample student schedule for a student who is interested in AP Science and Foreign Language. This is just one of many options, but it is a useful example of how YOU can plan out your high school career.

SAMPLE STUDENT 4-YEAR SCHEDULE

9th GRADE		10th GRADE		11th GRADE		12th GRADE	
1	English (any level)	1	English (any level)	1	English (any level)	1	English (any level)
1	Math (any level)	1	Math (any level)	1	Math (any level)	1	Math (any level)
1	History (any level)	1	History (any level)	1	History (any level)	1	History (any level)
1	Science (any level)	1.5	AP Science*	1.5	AP Science*	1.5	AP Science*
1	Foreign Language	1	Foreign Language	1	Foreign Language	1	Foreign Language
1	Gym (.5) / Health (.5)	.5	Gym	.5	Gym	.5	Gym
1	Band/Chorus/Orchestra	1	Band/Chorus/Orchestra	1	Band/Chorus/Orchestra	1	Band/Chorus/Orchestra
.5	HS 101	1	Elective or Study Hall	.5	Career Development	1	Elective or Study Hall
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8 Credits		8 Credits		8 Credits		8 Credits	