

# PERFORMING ARTS – MUSIC/THEATRE

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## Course Offerings:

<b>Grade 9</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Concert Band</li> <li>• Guitar I, II</li> <li>• Jazz Ensemble</li> <li>• Marching Band</li> <li>• Music Composition/MIDI Tech</li> <li>• Women's Select Choir</li> <li>• Select Mixed Choir</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orchestra/String</li> <li>• Symphonic Band</li> <li>• Wind Ensemble</li> <li>• Technical Theatre I, II</li> <li>• Theatre I, II</li> <li>• Women's Chorus</li> <li>• Men's Chorus</li> </ul>
<b>Grade 10</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Concert Band</li> <li>• Guitar I, II</li> <li>• Jazz Ensemble</li> <li>• Marching Band</li> <li>• Music Composition/MIDI Tech</li> <li>• Women's Select Choir</li> <li>• Select Mixed Choir</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orchestra/String</li> <li>• Symphonic Band</li> <li>• Wind Ensemble</li> <li>• Technical Theatre I, II, III</li> <li>• Theatre I, II</li> <li>• Women's Chorus</li> <li>• Men's Chorus</li> </ul>
<b>Grade 11</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Concert Band</li> <li>• Guitar I, II</li> <li>• Jazz Ensemble</li> <li>• Marching Band</li> <li>• Wind Ensemble</li> <li>• Women's Select Choir</li> <li>• Select Mixed Choir</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Music Composition/MIDI Tech</li> <li>• Orchestra/String</li> <li>• Symphonic Band</li> <li>• Theatre I, II, III</li> <li>• Technical Theatre I, II, III</li> <li>• Women's Chorus</li> <li>• Men's Chorus</li> </ul>
<b>Grade 12</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Concert Band</li> <li>• Wind Ensemble</li> <li>• Guitar I, II</li> <li>• Jazz Ensemble I</li> <li>• Marching Band</li> <li>• Music Composition/MIDI Tech</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orchestra/String</li> <li>• Student Directing(advanced)</li> <li>• Symphonic Band</li> <li>• Technical Theatre I, II</li> <li>• Theatre I, II, III</li> <li>• Women's Chorus</li> <li>• Men's Chorus</li> </ul>

## Course Descriptions

### 70355S1 & 70355S2 Concert Band

**Year:** 1.0

**Grades:** 9, 10, 11

**Prerequisite:** Willingness to learn and perform music

**Fees:** Instrument rental of \$50.00/Semester for school-owned instrument. (When available)

Concert band students will be actively involved in the development of musicianship and technique. Students will explore different styles of music in a fun and challenging setting. This band is a performance/education based class. Students in this ensemble are not in marching band but are required to perform at the winter and spring concerts. Regular individual practice outside of the classroom is required to succeed.

### 70375S1 & 70375S2 Jazz Ensemble I

**Year:** 1.0

**Grades:** 9, 10, 11

**Prerequisite:** Teacher Approval and/or audition

Jazz Band is made up of students who by audition and/or teacher approval qualify for this elite ensemble and who meet the playing requirements for the group. This band is a performance/education based class and all concerts, performances, festivals are required. This group will also travel on occasion and compete in local, state and national events. Membership in another major music ensemble is required. Exceptions: (Piano, Bass and Guitar)

### **70410 Marching Band**

**Semester:** 0.5 Credit (1<sup>st</sup> semester only)

**Grades:** 9, 10, 11

**Prerequisite:** Teacher Approval and/or audition attendance at all Summer Camps

**Fees:** Instrument rental of \$50.00/semester for school-owned instrument. (When available).

Percussion use fee of \$25.00/ semester.

**District Participation Fee** - \$100.00

**Uniform Fee:** \$15.00

Note: With exception of Color Guard members, students in this class will be assigned to either Symphonic Band or Wind Ensemble during the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester.

Marching Band students will perform a high quality level of music literature in relationship with movement and the traditional concert setting. This band will perform at concerts, football games, parades, community events and field show competitions on a local, state and national level. Regular T/Th after school practices and occasional Saturday rehearsals are required. Students will develop and maintain a high level of musicianship and techniques which will advance the overall music experience. This band is a performance/education based class and individual and ensemble practice outside of the classroom is required to succeed. (Private lessons are highly encouraged.) This ensemble is one of the elite music groups in the school and only the highest standards will be accepted.

### **70335 Symphonic Band**

**Semester:** 0.5 Credit (2<sup>nd</sup> semester only)

**Grade:** 9, 10, 11

**Prerequisite:** Teacher Approval and/or audition

**Fees:** Instrument rental of \$50.00/Semester for school owned instruments. (When available)

Percussion use fee of \$25.00/ semester.

Symphonic Band students will perform a very high quality level of music literature and continue to develop their lay techniques and musicianship. This class is a continuation of the 1<sup>st</sup> semester marching band class and will perform in local, regional and national competitions and festivals. (Private lessons are highly encouraged.) This band is a performance/education based class and all concerts and performances are required. This ensemble will be one of the elite music groups in the school and only the highest standards will be accepted. Students must be signed up for a regular 1<sup>st</sup> semester band class to register for a symphonic band.

### **70465S1 & 70465S2 Orchestra/String**

**Year:** 1.0 Credit

**Grades:** 9, 10, 11

**Prerequisite:** Prior String Orchestra Experience

**Fees:** Instrument rental of \$50.00/Semester for school-owned instruments. (When available)

**Uniform Fee:** \$60.00

This ensemble is designed for the traditional string orchestra: violin, viola, cello, and bass. Performances and individual practice are important requirements for success in this class. Students will be exposed to a variety of music including all styles and time periods. The Orchestra will perform several times per year. All performances are required.

### **70487 Guitar I**

**Semester:** 0.5 credit

**Grade:** 9, 10, 11

**Fees:** \$40.00

**Materials needed:** Students are required to own an acoustic guitar and have it with them every class day. Electric guitars are not acceptable.

The purpose of this class is to teach you some guitar theory, all the parts of the guitar, how chords are produced, what notes are and how they are used, learn several chords for song playing, learn strum and pick patterns, as well as build a relationship with music that carries you beyond the extent of this course. Rhythm guitar is the focus of all our Guitar I sections which emphasize the strumming and manipulation of open and bar chords.

### **70488 Guitar II**

**Semester:** 0.5 credit

**Grade:** 9, 10, 11

**Fees:** \$40.00

**Prerequisite:** 9<sup>th</sup> grade with teacher approval and/or based upon experience.

**Materials needed:** Students are required to own an acoustic guitar and have it with them every class day. Electric guitars are not acceptable.

This class is for the intermediate to advanced player who wants the opportunity to learn how to perform in front of an audience. Introductory lead guitar technique will be a focus in this course as well as ensemble work. You must be comfortable performing individually and in groups. You must have basic knowledge of guitar theory, rhythm techniques, and know the basic major and minor scales and chords as guitar I introduced these topics for the beginner. Rhythm, Lead, and Bass players are encouraged to take this course.

**70300S2 Wind Ensemble****Year:** 0.5 Credit (2<sup>nd</sup> semester only)**Grade:** 9, 10, 11**Fees:** Instrument rental of \$50.00/Semester for school owned instruments. (When available)

Percussion use fee of \$25.00/ semester.

**Uniform Fee:** \$60.00**Prerequisite:** Audition and approval of instructor.

The Wind Ensemble will study and prepare advanced and challenging band literature covering a variety of styles and time periods. Students will perform high-quality literature and continue to develop technique and musical expression. The wind ensemble is a performance/education based class and regular individual and ensemble practice outside of the classroom is required to succeed. (Private lessons are highly encouraged.) This ensemble is one of the elite music groups in the school and only the highest standards will be accepted. All practices and performances, contests, festivals are required for participation in the ensemble. Students must be signed up for a regular 1<sup>st</sup> semester band class to register or audition for Wind Ensemble.

**70680 Music Composition MIDI****Semester:** 0.5 Credit (2<sup>nd</sup> semester only)**Grade:** 9, 10, 11**Prerequisite:** Some basic music knowledge is preferred, but not required.**Fee:** \$30

This class will expose students to the fascinating and creative world of composition through technology. In addition students will explore basic theory, original song composition, music history and appreciation of diverse music styles.

**70513 (S1) & 70513XX (S2) Men's Chorus****Year:** 1.0 Credit**Grades:** 9, 10, 11**Uniform Fee:** \$60.00**Prerequisite:** None

Men's chorus is an entry-level singing group; This is a semester-long course open to all male students, grades 9-11; The fundamentals of good vocal technique and choral performance will be covered through the study of many different styles of music.; Emphasis will be placed on experiencing the excitement of performance during concerts held throughout the school year.

**70512S1 & 70512S2 Women's Chorus****Year:** 1.0 Credit**Grade:** 9, 10, 11**Uniform Fee:** \$60.00**Prerequisite:** None

Women's chorus is an entry-level singing group.; This is a semester-long course open to all female students, grades 9-11; The fundamentals of good vocal technique and choral performance will be covered through the study of many different styles of music.; Emphasis will be placed on experiencing the excitement of performance during concerts held throughout the school year.

**70560S1 & 70560S2 Women's Select Choir****Year:** 1.0 Credit**Grade:** 9, 10, 11**Uniform Fee:** \$60.00**Prerequisite:** Teacher Approval and/or audition

This choir is composed of advanced choir students selected through extensive auditions based upon voice quality and development, interest in performance at an advanced level, and musicianship. Women's Select Chorus performs classical, jazz and show choir music at various concerts, festivals, contests and community group events throughout the state and nation. Rehearsal and performance schedules require significant extracurricular commitment.

**70630S1 & 70630S2 Select Mixed Choir****Year:** 1.0 Credit**Grade:** 9, 10, 11**Uniform Fee:** \$60.00**Prerequisite:** Teacher Approval and/or audition

This mixed choir is composed of advanced choir students selected through extensive auditions based upon voice quality and development, interest in performance at an advanced level, and musicianship. Select Mixed Chorus performs classical, jazz and show choir music at various concerts, festivals, contests and community group events throughout the state and nation. Rehearsal and performance schedules require significant extracurricular commitment.

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# THEATRE

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## Course Description

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### **70700 Theatre I**

**Semester:** 0.5

**Grades:** 9, 10, 11

**Prerequisite:** None

This course offers the opportunity for a variety of performance experiences, which may include the following; scene work, monologues, improvisation, and pantomime but is not limited to those. Major emphases of the class are on developing beginning acting skills and self-esteem in the theatre. Students may take Theatre I first semester and second semester.

### **70710 Theatre II**

**Semester:** 0.5

**Grades:** 9, 10, 11

**Prerequisite:** Completion of Theatre I

This course offers the opportunity for a variety of performance experiences, which may include the following; scene work, monologues, improvisation, and pantomime but is not limited to those. Major emphases of the class are on developing beginning acting skills and self-esteem in the theatre. Students may take Theatre II first semester and second semester. Students will also begin the process of play development, directing and outside thespian opportunities.

### **70720S1 & 70720S2 Theatre III**

**Year:** 1.0

**Grades:** 10, 11

**Prerequisite:** Completion of Theatre I & II/or instructor's approval

This course emphasizes the development of a higher level of acting skills. Course work may include the following: improvisation, play and character analysis, directing, theatre history, musical theatre, stage combat, and advanced acting techniques. Participation in play production is encouraged.

### **70780 Technical Theatre I**

**Semester:** 0.5

**Grades:** 9, 10, 11

**Prerequisite:** None

**Fee:** \$30

This course offers the serious technical theatre student the opportunity to participate in numerous phases of technical theatre. Coursework may include the following: scene design, lighting design, sound design, stagecraft, publicity, make-up, costumes, theatre organization and management. Students may take Technical Theatre I first semester and second semester.

### **70795 Technical Theatre II**

**Semester:** 0.5

**Grades:** 9, 10, 11

**Prerequisite:** Completion of Tech. Theatre I

This course offers the serious technical theatre student the opportunity to participate in numerous phases of technical theatre. Coursework may include the following: scene design, lighting design, sound design, stagecraft, publicity, make-up, costumes, theatre organization and management. Students will study and participate in the advanced development of set and stage design. Students may take Technical Theatre II first semester and second semester