

Performing Arts

Includes Band, Choir, Orchestra
and other music related classes

These classes can count as a
FINE ART CREDIT OR
ELECTIVE CREDIT.

CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC DEPARTMENT

The Central High School Music Department is inclusive of all students who have the desire to make music. We are proud of our students and the work they do at C.H.S..

Mission Statement of the Music Department

The Music Department at Central High School provides the opportunity to perform in numerous ensembles at varying levels that challenges each student. Diverse types and styles of music are studied and performed to assist in the students' understanding of music. Through the study of music theory, the students' musicianship is continually challenged and refined to gain an enjoyment of music and become a life long musician and appreciator of music.

Orchestra:

The Orchestra program is expanding to meet the needs of the students involved. Members of the Orchestra program may have the opportunity to be involved in district music events and to be a part of various honor groups as well as participate in outside of school activities

#38940 CONCERT ORCHESTRA I

4 Terms, Split Block, ¼ Credit Each Term

Prerequisite: Permission of the Instructor

GRADES 9-10

Fee: \$15.00

This course is open to all string players (violins, viola, cello, bass). This course is designed to develop string-playing techniques and develop individual student's musicianship, which is needed to be a member of the Symphony Orchestra. Emphasis in this class will be placed on string orchestra ensemble playing. Junior and Senior participation is optional. Interested freshmen must have instructor's permission to enroll. Performances outside of class are part of this course and attendance is required.

#38950 SYMPHONIC ORCHESTRA II

4 Terms, Split Block, ¼ Credit Each Term

GRADES 10-12

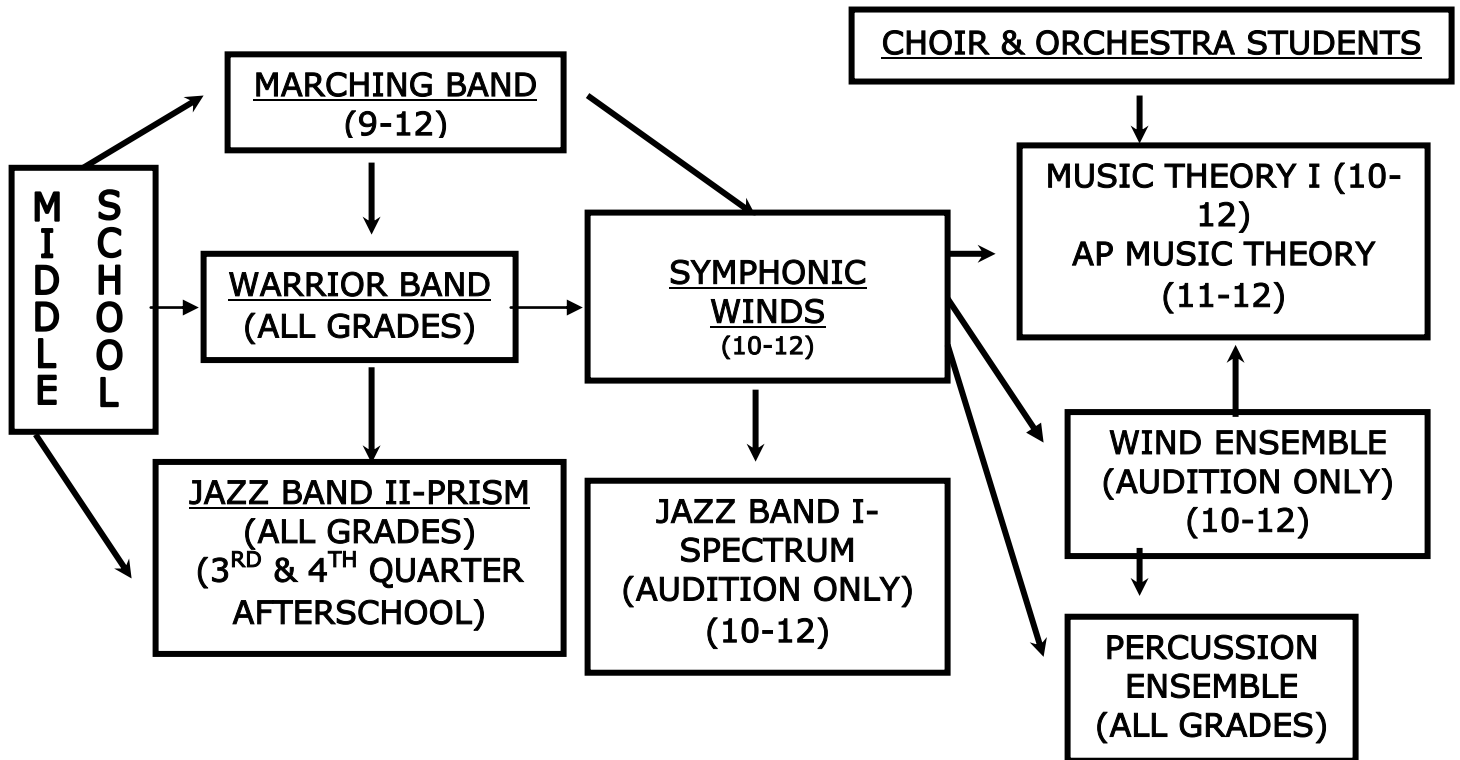
Prerequisite: Audition and/or Permission of the Instructor

Fee: \$15.00

This course focuses on excellence in string performance. Chamber Orchestra students will be chosen from this group. Emphasis on this class will be on string ensemble, chamber orchestra, and symphonic orchestra, which includes winds and percussion. Students must demonstrate a high level of string technique. Chamber Orchestra and Full Orchestra will meet outside of class from January to April. Performances and rehearsals outside of class are part of this course and attendance is required. If students choose to be in both orchestras, only one fee is required.

CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL BANDS
"The Power of Music..."

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#38800 **WARRIOR CONCERT BAND**

3 Terms, ½ Credit Each Term - No Prerequisite

GRADE 9

Fee: \$10.00 (cleaning plus \$30.00 deposit if not paid during Marching Band)

The introduction to and development of musicianship as the student progresses from the beginnings of elementary and middle school music is the emphasis of this class. This band carries an open enrollment to all 9th grade students and 11-12 graders who wish to develop skills on a secondary instrument or may need to enhance their skills before moving on to Symphonic Winds. While the class is primarily a performance medium, academic music endeavors will be pursued as well in accordance with adopted music standards. Rehearsals and public performances outside of class are a part of this course and are required.

#38810 **MARCHING BAND**

1 Term, 1 Credit

GRADES 9 - 12

Prerequisite: Prior experience in reading music and playing an instrument.
 Flag line and field percussion by audition only.

Marching Band is open to all students; prior marching experience is not necessary. The band performs for local parades and civic functions as well as local and state festivals and for home football games, parades and pep rallies. Major emphasis of the class deals with preparation of precision field drills while performing quality music for performance and contest. This band will meet at designated times (before school begins and after the usual school day hours). Attendance at rehearsals and public performances outside class are a major part of this course and are required. There is a (\$40.00) Band Camp fee, purchase of shoes (\$30.00), and gloves (\$5.00), cleaning fee (\$15.00), instrument rental fee (if using a school owned instrument), and the State Marching Band Trip fee (\$150.00.) Band Parent Scholarships are available.

#38830 **SYMPHONIC BAND**

3 Terms, ½ Credit Each Term

GRADES 10 - 12

Prerequisite: Prior experience in band, ability to read music, proficiency on wind or percussion instrument.

Fee: \$10.00 Cleaning fee on Jackets

This course is designed to further develop and refine the individual student's musicianship in a full ensemble setting. Large-scale band compositions are introduced and the band regularly performs challenging and rewarding works. In conjunction with the adopted music standards, academic aspects of music are covered to produce a highly skilled and knowledgeable musician. Rehearsals and public performances outside of class are a part of this course and are required.

#38850 **PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE**

1 Term, ½ Credit

GRADES 9- 12

Prerequisite: Audition and/or permission of Instructor

This course is open to all students at Central High School who successfully complete an audition. All rehearsals take place outside of regularly scheduled classes. Three trips are taken to Denver for competitions, and students must pay for their own room and board. It should be noted that even if you are not a percussionist, your participation is welcomed and encouraged. You do not need to be a part of a concert band to participate in percussion ensemble, provided enough percussionists are already involved with the program.

#38870 **WIND ENSEMBLE**

2 Terms, ½ Credit Each Term

GRADES 11 - 12

Prerequisite: Prior experience in band, ability to read music, proficiency on wind or percussion instrument, successful audition with the Director.

This course focuses on excellence in wind and percussion performance. Only one player per part will be required. The band is only open to those who successfully audition for the director. In addition, the ensemble will meet during third and fourth quarter for evening rehearsals. Time to be determined by the director and the ensemble. This class is only open to juniors and seniors. The ensemble will perform regularly at concerts, public events, and contests, all of which are required

#38881 **JAZZ BAND PRISM II (INTERMEDIATE)**

2 Terms, ¼ Credit Each Term – 50 minute class

GRADES 9 - 12

Prerequisite: Ability to read music, but open to anyone interested in playing big band style music.

Jazz Band allows the student to increase his or her musicianship through the study of the American musical Idiom of Jazz. Students will learn skills in improvisation, interpretation and creation of this unique musical form in accordance to the adopted music standards. Piano, guitar and bass players need not be members of the symphonic band, however, they must audition and be able to read musical notation. Rehearsals and public performances outside of class are a part of this course and are required. Rehearsals are scheduled after school and attendance is mandatory. Class begins 3rd Quarter.

#38880 **JAZZ BAND SPECTRUM I (ADVANCED)**

2 Terms, ¼ Credit Each Term – 50 minute class

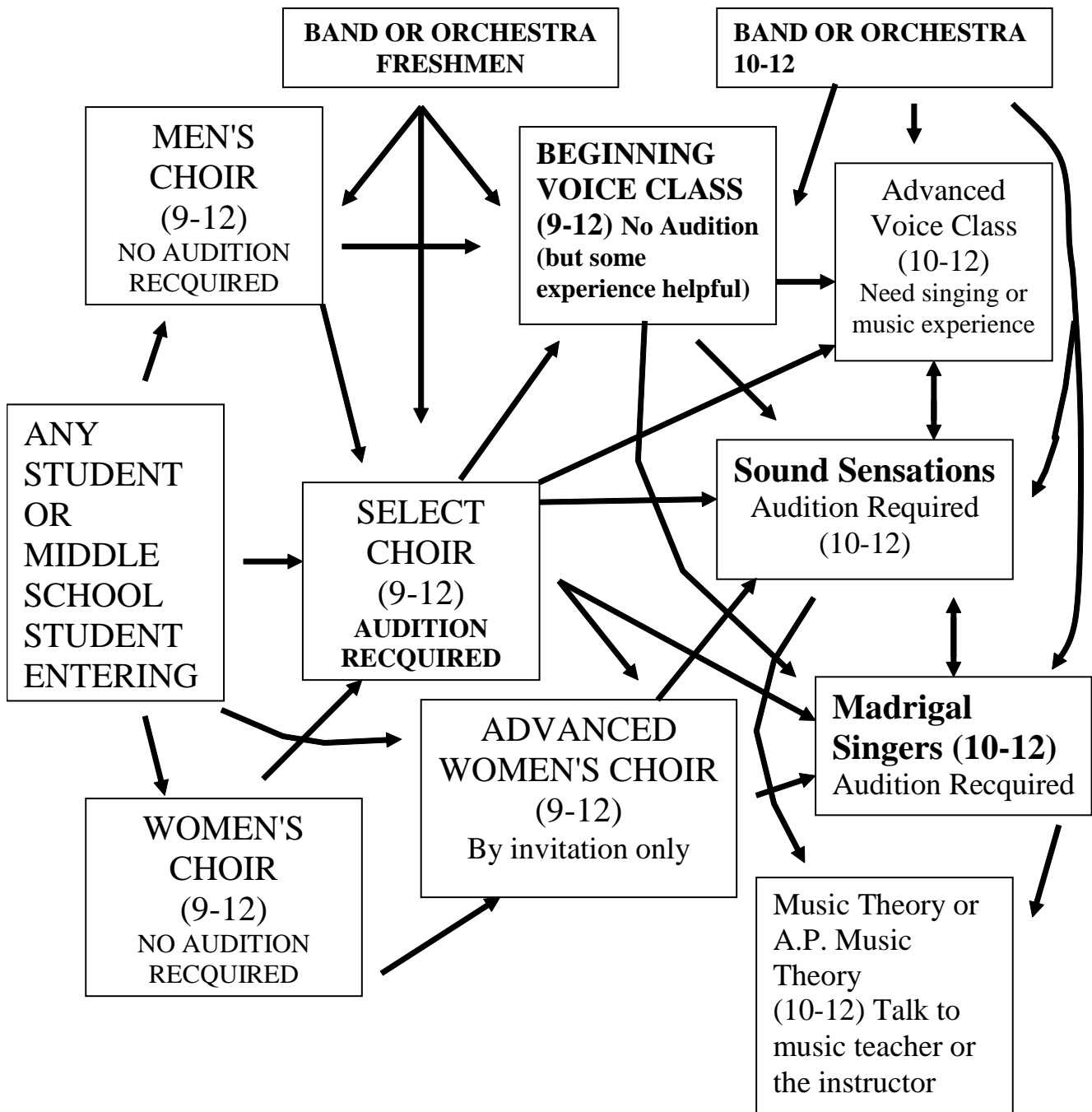
GRADES 10 - 12

Prerequisite: Audition and membership in Symphonic Band or Wind Ensemble

Jazz Band allows the student to increase his or her musicianship through the study of the American musical Idiom of Jazz. Students will learn skills in improvisation, interpretation and creation of this unique musical form in accordance to the adopted music standards. Piano, guitar and bass players need not be members of the symphonic band, but must audition and be able to read musical notation. Rehearsals and public performances outside of class are a part of this course and are required. Rehearsals are scheduled before school and attendance is mandatory. A full year commitment is requested.

FLOW CHART of VOCAL MUSIC CLASSES at CHS

Open to ALL students, at any level, who want to learn the joy of singing and making Music with their voice!



There may be faster ways to advance through these classes, depending on your singing experience and how fast you progress. See Mr. Scott if you have questions.

VOCAL MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Not All Classes Require Prior Singing Experience

#38580 **MEN'S CHORUS**

1 Term, ½ Fine Arts and Elective Credit

GRADES 9 - 12

No Prerequisite

Fee: \$10.00 (and \$20.00 shirt fee for uniform)

All male students who enjoy singing are welcome to sing in this group. No prior experience is necessary, but is helpful. Students must have a working attitude, ability to want to learn, a sense of humor, and a lot of courage to break away from preconceived notions about choir. Different styles and types of music will be performed. Students will learn how to use their voice to its full range in a non-threatening environment, as well as how to sing and read music. Students are required to have a positive attitude and attend all school-related nighttime performances in which Men's Choir participates. Outside of school performances may be a part of being in this group depending on the work ethic and desire to do well.

#38570 **WOMEN'S CHORUS**

1 Term, ½ Fine Arts and Elective Credit

GRADES 9 - 12

No Prerequisite

Fee: \$10.00 (and \$20.00 shirt fee for uniform)

All female students who enjoy singing are welcome to sing in this group. No prior experience is necessary. Different styles and types of music will be performed and movement to some of the songs may be included. Students will be encouraged to use their voice to its fullest range as well as sing and learn to read music in a non-threatening environment. Women's Choir students are required to have a positive attitude and attend all school-related nighttime performances in which their choir participates. Outside of school performances may be a part of this group depending on the work ethic and desire to do well.

#38571 **ADVANCED WOMEN'S CHORUS**

1 or 2 Terms, ½ Fine Arts and Elective Credit Per Term

GRADES 10 - 12

Prerequisite: Women's Choir or prior music experience

Fee: \$10.00

This class is for any female who likes to sing, wants to learn how to become a better musician, and has auditioned for, or been invited to be a part of this group by the director. Advanced Women's Choir works on using the correct singing styles so a student can sharpen skills needed to be in advanced auditioned groups. All styles of music will be performed from pop to classical. Learning is done in a non-threatening environment with a lot of support and help from the instructor. Students may have the opportunity to sing with the women from more advanced groups or go on trips depending on the dedication and effort shown. Students are required to perform as a group at all nighttime school-related concerts in which their choir participates.

#38750 **BEGINNING VOICE CLASS**

1 Term, ½ Fine Arts and Elective Credit

GRADES 9 - 10

Prerequisite: No Prior experience necessary, but helpful.

Fee: \$10.00

This class will start with learning how to sing a solo. The students will singing solos in a group of two or three for a few performances and then will work their way down to them singing a solo by themselves. Various styles of songs will be used to develop the student's voice to its fullest potential. This class will involve learning how to practice a solo, combating stage fright, forming vowels to improve sound, and correct breathing technique. The last song for a grade will be a pop song of the student's own choice.

#38680 **ADVANCED VOICE CLASS**

1 Term, ½ Fine Arts and Elective Credit

GRADES 10 - 12

Prerequisite: Music Experience Helpful (Band, Orchestra, Choir)

Fee: \$10.00

This class will strive to make your singing voice the best that it can be. The students will be required to sing one performance with another student and then after that, they will sing solos by themselves. Stage fright, what to practice on your song, microphone technique, correct breathing technique, going through a singing audition, singing a foreign language, and many other aspects of singing will be covered. Various styles of music will be used to develop the student's voice. The last song for a grade will be a pop song of the student's own choice.

#38600 SELECT CHORUS

1 or 2 Terms, ½ Fine Arts and Elective Credit Per Term
Prerequisite: Audition required, or Invitation of Director
Fee: \$10.00 (and \$20.00 shirt fee for uniform)

GRADES 9 - 12

Music performed in this group will range from pop music, to classical, to contemporary. This group is for students who enjoy being challenged and really want to learn about how to use their voice to its fullest capabilities in a large group. Students **are not** required to sing alone, but will learn to sharpen their skills of sight-reading and how to use their voice correctly. This group may have a few community performances, and is required to perform in all school related night concerts. Juniors and seniors taking this course may be able to audition for All State Choir.

#38620 MADRIGAL SINGERS

3 Terms, ½ Fine Arts and Elective Credit Per Term
Prerequisite: Audition and permission of instructor
Fee: \$10.00

GRADES 10 - 12

This class has become very popular due to the challenging literature and the recognition of the value of learning to sing in various languages, as well as learning about various cultures. Music from the 13th to 15th centuries will be sung as well as a few spirituals, modern acappella songs, and Jazz music will be covered. This group does not do choreography, but is asked by the community to do many performances out in the public at various social gatherings throughout the year. **Nighttime schedules concerts at the school are required.** Juniors and seniors taking this course may be eligible to audition for All State Choir.

#38700 SOUND SENSATIONS

3 Terms, ½ Fine Arts and Elective Credit Per Term
Prerequisite: Audition and permission of instructor
Fee: \$10.00

GRADES 10 - 12

Today's style of music including: pop, contemporary, novelty, acappella, and jazz songs are performed in Sound Sensations. Choreography is added on some of the songs to enhance the performance. This group is asked to many performances outside of school time in the community, as well as the required nighttime school concerts. Attendance is required at these performances. Juniors and seniors taking this course may be eligible for All State Choir.

Music Application Classes**#38500****MUSIC APPRECIATION**

1 Term, ½ Credit - No Prerequisite Non performing class

GRADES 10 - 12

This class is a non-performing class for students who are not involved in a music-performing group at C.H.S. Students need not have any prior musical talent, knowledge, or ability, as the class is designed so that the student can earn a Fine Arts credit. Different periods of music in time will be covered from 500 a.d. to early Rock and Roll. Various instruments and singing styles from different cultures will be listened to and evaluated to enhance the student's awareness of music in the world.

#38520**MUSIC THEORY**

1 Term, ½ Credit - No Prerequisite

GRADES 10 - 12

Music Theory is designed as a course in music beginnings with the fundamentals of music notation, scales, chords, rhythm, ear training, and composition techniques. Emphasis is toward two and four part composing.

#38530**ADVANCED PLACEMENT MUSIC THEORY**

2 Terms, ½ Credit Each Term
Prerequisite: Permission of the Instructor

GRADES 10 - 12

AP Music Theory is an advanced academic course in music and is designed to prepare students for the National Advanced Placement Exam in Music Theory. Students in this course can benefit by learning theoretical aspects of music in greater depth and developing skills that will be critically important to successful study in college.