

Music: Jazz Band 40S

Credit Value: 1.0

Pre-requisite:

Students should have at least three years of instruction/experience on their instrument, be a member of the concert band, or permission of the instructor.

Course Description:

Students will develop as musicians through performance and participation in one of the jazz bands. The classes meet every 2nd day opposite band class for both semesters, and a full credit (Jazz Band 20G,30S or 40S) is offered for completion. Students will be introduced to the various styles and eras of jazz through performance and listening. Classes will develop playing skills, concepts of jazz performance, jazz articulation, style, rhythm, aural skill, improvisation, basic knowledge of jazz history and theory. The curriculum is spiral and students will develop as jazz musicians at each successive high school level. Part of the program involves performance and participation in activities outside of school hours.