



Fine Arts Department Audition information 2019-2020

Cardinal Gibbons High School offers an extensive Fine Arts curriculum for grades 9-12. Courses in Choral Ensemble, Dance, Drama, Instrumental Music, Technical Theatre, and Visual Art are available. Students are required to complete one Fine Art credit for graduation. Freshmen may elect to enroll in Band, Choral Ensemble, Guitar, Dance, Percussion, Strings, or Technical Theater. Qualifying freshmen may take Drama I, Guitar I, Guitar II or Visual Art I. Freshmen are encouraged to join Fine Arts Clubs and audition for school plays.

Audition Information

- February 9 **Band Placement Auditions** are by appointment in the band classroom (Room 135). Please RSVP to Mr. Cashin, Band Director, at mcashin@cghsnc.org. Students may prepare any major scales that they know, and two small excerpts of music from a recent band concert that they would like to play. Make-up auditions are by appointment only. **The deferment policy for Health/PE applies.**
- February 4 **Chorus auditions** for incoming freshman will be held from 4:00-5:30 P.M. in the chorus room 130. Please RSVP to Ms. Martha Zaldivar, Choral Director, at mzaldivar@cghsnc.org. The deferment policy for Health/PE applies.
- February 7 **Dance II auditions** will be held at 3:30 pm in the dance classroom 133. Please RSVP to Ms. Brooks Owens, Dance instructor at bowens@cghsnc.org. **Dance I does not require an audition but deferment policy for Health/PE applies.**
- February 9 **The Drama I Placement Workshop** will be held from 1:00-5:00 P.M. in the CGHS Theaters. Please plan on being in attendance for the entire audition time. Students will participate in a series of simple improv exercises and theater games and spend time collaborating with current Gibbons Drama students. Prospective students are advised to wear comfortable clothing, as this will be an active day. Please contact Gibbons Drama Artistic Director Mr. Kevin Ferguson, at kferguson@cghsnc.org with any questions. **The deferment policy for Health/PE applies.**
- February 7 **Guitar I and Guitar II auditions** are by appointment from 3:15-5:00 P.M. Please contact guitar instructor Mr. Dave Spencer at spencer@cghsnc.org or 919-846-9535 to schedule an appointment. **The deferment policy for Health/PE applies.**
- February 9 **Percussion I enrollment does not require an audition or previous experience. Percussion II, III and IV** auditions are from 9:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. by appointment. To schedule your appointment, please contact Percussion instructor Mr. Hal Sargent instructor at hsargent@cghsnc.org or 919 919-834-1625 x 422. **The deferment policy for Health/PE applies.**
- February 9 **Percussion Piano Accompanist and Electric Bass Accompanist** auditions are by appointment from 9:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. for students who would like to perform as an accompanist with an ensemble. Please contact Mr. Hal Sargent at hsargent@cghsnc.org or 919-834-1625 x 422 to arrange an appointment. **The deferment policy for Health/PE applies.**
- February 9 **String Orchestra auditions for Viola, Violin, Cello and Bass** will be held by appointment from 9:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M in music classroom 134. Those auditioning are asked to prepare a short solo of your own choosing. For more Strings Orchestra audition information, and to schedule your audition appointment, please contact String Orchestra instructor Mr. Andy Hawks at ahawks@cghsnc.org. **The deferment policy for Health/PE applies.**

Visual Art I is an elective option for interested, engaged, and creative students to learn foundational elements and best practices of drawing and design. Grade 9 admission does not require a portfolio but does allow interested students to pursue three additional years of advanced coursework in grades 10-12. Questions may be directed to Ms. Rebecca Dason at rdason@cghsnc.org. **The deferment policy for Health/PE applies**

Technical Theatre is an option for students interested in the study and application of technical and backstage elements of theatre productions. Please contact Ms. Karestin Harrison for more information about joining this class at kharrison@cghsnc.org. There is a two-year commitment and **the deferment policy for Health/PE applies.**

Deferment Policy for Health/PE: Freshmen at Cardinal Gibbons High School who are pursuing a 3-4 year sequence in a Fine Art may defer the Health/PE requirement. If the student continues in the same Fine Art course of study for grade 10, the College Counseling Department will provide an independent study for completion of the Health/PE requirement at the end of the sophomore year. Only those students enrolling in the same Fine Art course of study for two consecutive years may defer the Health/PE credit.