



Chamber Orchestra

Insert Teacher Name

Insert Room Number

Full Year Course

Insert Period

Insert Email Address

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Chamber Orchestra is available, by audition, to students, grades 9 – 12, who have exceeded Fairfield Skill Level VII and are current members of Concert or Symphonic Orchestra. Students taking this class will work individually and collaboratively to refine ensemble rehearsal and performance techniques, advanced instrumental techniques, music literacy and musicianship. Literature for this class will be selected from advanced string music from Baroque to Contemporary. Enrollment is limited and determined by balanced instrumentation in the ensemble.

Chamber Orchestra meets one evening per week for two hours with sectional rehearsals to be determined.

Participation in all scheduled rehearsals, concerts and other performing events as listed in the Orchestra Handbook is required. Adherence to department policies including the Code of Ethics and performance dress code is also required.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Students will:

- Perform string orchestra music in a variety of genres and describe typical stylistic characteristics of performed repertoire.
- Play their instruments in tune with appropriate interpretation, technical accuracy and expression at NYSSMA grade 5-6.
- Listen to, analyze, and describe their own recorded performances, comment critically, and improve their own performance.
- Listen to, analyze, evaluate and describe exemplar performances of string orchestra music.

COURSE POLICIES AND REQUIREMENTS

GRADING

Cumulative/In-Progress Grade:

- 10% of the grade will be based on formative assessments, homework completion, or behavior (see FPS BOE [Policy 6154AR](#))
- 90% will be based on summative assessments based on a minimum of eight assessments (see FPS BOE Policy 6146AR)

End-of-the-Year Grade:

- 80% of the overall course grade will reflect the student's mastery of course content and skills during the school year through the Cumulative/In-Progress Grade.
- 10% of the End-of-the-Year course grade will be based on the Mid-Year Assessment
- 10% of the End-of-the-Year course grade will be based on the Final Assessment.

Grade Reporting

- All grades will be communicated through Infinite Campus

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- Summative assessment results will be reported back to the student within ten school days from the date of submission or the due date.

Guidelines for Late Work (see FPS BOE Policy 6146AR):

- Late work will be accepted for both summative and formative tasks within a defined timeline agreed upon between the student and the teacher
- The total points may be reduced as a penalty for late work

MATERIALS:

Insert Course Materials Here (ie. Textbook, Binder, Calculator, Highlighters)

EXPECTATIONS OF STUDENTS:

EXTRA HELP:

Insert Course Expectations Here