

Tamanend Music Classes and Other Opportunities

Curricular Ensemble Classes

7, 8, 9 Band
7, 8, 9 Orchestra
7, 8, 9 Chorus

These classes meet every other day for the entire year. Students do not need to audition for these groups, but they must be in one of them to participate in the co-curricular ensembles listed below. Students receive a marking period grade for these classes. Curricular ensembles perform in the Winter and Spring Concerts. Music ensemble students still have the opportunity take all other elective classes at Tamanend.

Co-curricular Activities

Students must be in a Band, Orchestra, or Chorus Class to audition for these enrichment ensembles.

Symphonic Band

Tamanend's larger performing ensemble, open to any instrumental student: band or orchestra, as well as students who play electric guitar, piano, and upright/ electric bass. The Symphonic Band will perform in the Winter and Spring Concerts and compete in Allentown in May. Auditions are held in early Fall. Audition music will be available within the first few weeks of school. Rehearsals: Tuesday Evening 6:00-7:30pm

Jazz Band

Tamanend's competitive jazz group. Open to band members and any students who play electric guitar, piano, and upright/ electric bass. This group will compete at several jazz festivals including one in Allentown in the spring. Auditions are held in early Fall. Audition music will be available within the first few weeks of school. Rehearsals: Wednesday Evening 6:00-8:00pm

Chieftain Chorus

Tamanend's large, auditioned chorus open to all grades. In addition to school concerts, this group performs at the CB Save the Music Concert in January, the CB A Cappella Festival in April, and competes in Allentown in May. Auditions are held September 9-12 after school. Sign up in Room 201. Rehearsals: Thursday 2:45-4:00 with occasional rehearsals on other days.

Gold'n'Blues

Tamanend's most select chorus group. Gold'n'Blues learns a diverse repertoire of music with rapidity and intensity and performs at many school and community functions throughout the year. This group also competes in Allentown in May. Auditions are held in late September. Interested students must be members of the Chieftain Chorus. Rehearsals: TBA at least once a week (not always a regular schedule).

String Ensemble

Tamanend's auditioned string group open to all grades. This group performs at various school and community functions throughout the year & competes in Allentown in the Spring. Auditions are held in late September. Rehearsals: A Days on Tuesday or Wednesday 2:45-4:00pm.

Chamber Orchestra

Tamanend's most select string group. This group is selected from the highest-scoring String Ensemble members and performs at various school, district, and community events. Rehearsals: During String Ensemble.

Other Music Opportunities

Musical: Tamanend puts on a musical production every year. Auditions are held in the fall. Performance is in March.

Honors Groups: Tamanend band, choir, and orchestra students may be eligible for various honors auditions throughout the year. These opportunities will be announced by directors and normally include District Orchestra, County Band/Chorus/Orchestra, CB MS Honors Band.

Piano: Pianists who wish to use their talents in school should speak to Mr. Sanchez about accompanying choirs. Also, see Jazz Band above.

Coffeehouse (November) and Talent Show (June) offer further performance opportunities. Info TBA via announcements.

Music Staff

Feel free to email us with any questions! Check out our teacher pages and websites!
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