LWHS PERFORMING ARTS

CHOIR

Chorale and Lyrica

Chorale This is the "come one, come all!" choir at Lake Washington. Everyone can sing! It's fun, it's healthy, it's good for your brain, and it makes you happy! If you've never sung before or you are in 9th grade, sign up for Chorale! Learn how to sing and make great friendships while you learn all about music. No experience necessary!

Lyrica This is the advanced choir at Lake Washington High School. Lyrica sings more performances, more difficult music, travels and competes. Be a part of the long and illustrious history, heritage and fellowship of Lyrica at Lake Washington High School! Choir is a great place to build lasting friendships, create community and find meaning in your daily life at LWHS.

If you have questions, contact Ms. Menzenberg-Zvilna at hmenzenbergzvilna@lwsd.org.

GUITAR I and II

One Semester Each

Guitar I

Learn to play the acoustic guitar! And no matter your current level of play, if you haven't taken guitar at LWHS this is the course you register for. This is a one semester class and focuses on the fundamentals of guitar. We learn to play chords and melodies on the guitar, reading music from staff notation and playing in small ensembles to finish the course. There is a classroom set of guitars that are available for use during class but are not checked out. Owning your own guitar is not required.

Guitar II

This is a continuation of Guitar I. Guitar I at LWHS is a pre-requisite for this course. Content is tailored to each class of students who make up the class. We continue learning guitar techniques and notation on the treble clef and a variety of styles of music is played. Composition is explored.

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PIANO I and II

One Semester Each

Piano I Learn to play the piano! And no matter your current level of play, if you haven't taken piano at LWHS this is the course you register for. This is a one semester class and focuses on the fundamentals of piano playing. We learn to play the piano, reading music from staff notation, studying music theory, and playing in a weekly recital format and a final recital in the theater to finish the course. Having a piano at home is not required for success in the class.

Piano II This is a continuation of Piano I. Piano I at LWHS is a pre-requisite for this course. Content is tailored to each student in the class based on their individual level of ability and knowledge. Composition is explored.

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Lake Washington High School BAND

Matthew Kruse, Director

All band students participate in the **Marching Band**

Band 1
Non-auditioned "Symphonic Band", 9th grade

Band 2
Non-auditioned "Wind Ensemble"
10-12 grade

Additional Opportunity
0 Period Jazz Band (by audition)



Band

Jazz, Symphonic, and Wind





Jazz Ensemble

This is audition only ensemble that meets before school five days a week. This band provides the musician with an opportunity to practice, perform, and improvise within the jazz idiom.

Symphonic Band

This ensemble performs at several concerts and festivals throughout the year. The Symphonic Band also performs in the Marching Band at football games and the Pep Band at basketball games. This band is open to freshman and to students who have not been in band for a while and would like to rejoin.

Wind Ensemble

This ensemble performs at several concerts and festivals throughout the year. The Wind Ensemble also performs in the Marching Band at football games and the Pep Band at basketball games. You must have prior high school band experience to join the Wind Ensemble.

Questions

Contact Mr. Kruse makruse@lwsd.org.

LWHS ORCHESTRA

Matthew Kruse, Director

Course offerings:

Orchestra 1
Non-auditioned "Concert Orchestra",
9th grade

Orchestra 2
Non-auditioned "Chamber Orchestra",
10-12th grade

ORCHESTRA

Concert and Chamber



Concert Orchestra

This ensemble performs at several concerts and festivals throughout the year. This orchestra is open to freshman and to students who have not been in orchestra for a while and would like to rejoin.

Chamber Orchestra

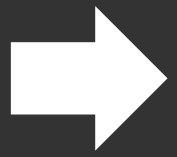
This ensemble performs at several concerts and festivals throughout the year. You must have prior high school orchestra experience to join the Chamber Orchestra.

Questions

Contact Mr. Kruse makruse@lwsd.org.

LWHS Theatre Pathways

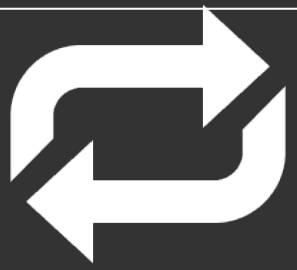
Drama 1
Intro to Acting



Drama 2
Advanced Acting



Production Workshop
Acting, Directing in plays and musicals
Technical Theater 1 => Technical Theater 2
Technical work on plays and musicals



Repeatable for credit

Theatre In Society
Watching/reading and analyzing plays and musicals

(no pre-required classes)

Writing for Stage and Screen

A workshop style class where students can write plays, movies, tv shows, etc. Students may have an opportunity to have works performed by drama classes.
(no pre-required classes)

DRAMA 1- INTRO TO ACTING



ACTIVITIES

- Improv Games/Warm-ups
- Pantomime
- Performing Monologues
- Performing Scenes
- Designing for a play/musical

SKILLS

- **Prepare for any auditions inside or outside of school**
- **Combatting stage fright**
- **Introduction to Theatre Arts**
- **Using your voice and body to portray another character**

DRAMA 2- ADVANCED ACTING



ACTIVITIES

- Improv Games/Warm-ups
- Clowning
- Writing Monologues
- Shakespeare Monologues
- Advanced scenes
- Designing for a play/musical

SKILLS

- Prepare for any auditions inside or outside of school
- Understanding complex texts
- Working with a partner to create an emotional response in the audience
- Using your voice and body to portray another character
- Critiquing work of other actors

PRODUCTION WORKSHOP

REQUIREMENTS

- Actors: Must audition for production/class

WHAT WE DO

BE IN A SCHOOL PLAY OR MUSICAL! WORK BACKSTAGE! This class is exclusively after school and requires availability in the afternoons and evenings. You do not need to take this class to participate, but you must participate in order to be in the class.







TECH THEATER 1 AND TECH THEATER 2

REQUIREMENTS

Tech: Must apply through mstaiff@lwsd.org

WHAT WE DO

WORK BACKSTAGE FOR A PLAY OR MUSICAL ! This class is exclusively after school and requires availability in the afternoons and evenings. You do not need to take this class to participate, but you must participate in order to be in the class. Stage crew, light design and operation, set design, sound design and operation







THEATRE IN SOCIETY

(THINK FILM AS LIT- BUT THEATRE AS LIT)

- **Watch staged versions of plays and musicals**
- **Read plays and musicals aloud as a class**
- **Analyze these through conversation and short writing pieces, answering these questions:**
- ***Why is theatre important to our culture and society?***
- ***How can theatre be used as a tool to better understand other cultures, both past and present?***
- ***How does theatre reflect the current state of social norms, government, religion, and more?***





