

Possible Scheduling Scenarios

These sample schedules are ways to easily fit orchestra in to all four years of high school. Please also keep in mind PE can be done through participation in after-school sports, and Computer Literature, and Health can all be taken as independent study. This frees up more class periods during the school year for more electives such as foreign language, other arts, other music courses, etc. You will find another sheet attached which contains the course names and numbers for registration. If you have any questions on course selection, please feel free to contact me.

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Regular Diploma

Period	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior
1	Concert Orchestra (9)	Orchestra (10-12)	Orchestra (10-12)	Orchestra (10-12)
2	Eclectic Ens.	World History/Geography	US History	American Government
3	English 1-2	English 3-4	English 5-6	English 7-8
4	Math	Math	Math	Flex Credit
5	Science	Science	Elective or Off Campus	Elective or Off Campus
6	Freshman Seminar	PE	Elective or Off Campus	Elective or Off Campus
7	1 st Sem. – Comp Lit 2 nd Sem – Health	Elective, PE, or Off Campus	Elective or Off Campus	Elective or Off Campus

Honors Diploma

Period	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior
1	Concert Orchestra (9)	Orchestra (10-12)	Orchestra (10-12)	Orchestra (10-12)
2	Eclectic Ens.	Honors World History/Geography	AP US History	AP Am. Government
3	Honors English	Honors English	Honors English	Honors English
4	Math	Math	Math	Math
5	Science	Science	Science	Flex Credit
6	Freshman Seminar	PE	1 st Sem. – Comp Lit 2 nd Sem – Health	Elective or Off Campus
7	World Language	World Language	Elective, PE, or Off Campus	Elective or Off Campus

Concert Orchestra Course #6641-6642

THIS IS THE COURSE FOR ALL STUDENTS ENTERING THE 9TH GRADE NEXT YEAR

Prerequisite: Participation in an 8th Grade orchestra program, or by instructor's approval. Full Year = 1 elective credit
This course is open to students in all grade level. This course is required for all freshmen wishing to participate in the McQueen High School Orchestra Program. This course provides instruction in a string orchestra and small group setting on violin, viola, cello, and bass. Students develop knowledge required to be successful in the Sinfonia Orchestra. Emphasis will be on: introducing advanced scales, shifting, multi meters, improvisation, professionalism, basic music theory, music appreciation, interpreting and playing various styles and genres of music, and other music activities aligned with state and national music standards. School-owned instruments are available for student rental as available. Extra rehearsals and public performances are required as part of the class. Students enrolled in this class may participate in the WCSD Solo and Ensemble Festival. This course will fulfill the Arts/Humanities/Occupational Education graduation requirement and may not be repeated for credit.

Eclectic Styles Ensemble Course #6625-6626

AS A FRESHMAN, YOU MUST PARTICIPATE IN CONCERT ORCHESTRA AS WELL TO REGISTER FOR ECLECTIC STYLES

Prerequisite: Participation in an 8th Grade orchestra program, or by instructor's approval. 9th Grade who wish to participate in this course MUST be enrolled in Concert Orchestra as well. Full Year = 1 elective credit (Honors credit available for 10th-12th graders who complete additional requirements) This ensemble is for students who wish to advance their musical knowledge and skill through the study of Eclectic Styles such as (but not limited to) jazz, fiddle, American Roots, World Music (non-Western European), and other non-traditional music. The music performed will have an emphasis on the use of musical creation through improvisation. The Eclectic Styles Ensemble will perform at various concerts, festivals, and competitions as opportunities arise. Students in this course will be required to participate in Solo & Ensemble Festival. This course will fulfill the Arts/Humanities/Occupational Education graduation requirement and may be repeated for credit.

Beginning/Intermediate Guitar Course #6719-6720

Full Year = 1 elective credit This course is open to students in all grade levels This course is the first level guitar course at McQueen High School. This is a year-long co-curricular course designed for students with no previous or very limited guitar experience. Students will receive guidance and direction in solving problems related to playing the guitar on a beginning level and will learn many of the different styles, skills, and techniques required to become a successful musician. Areas of concentration include: correct posture, note reading, aural skills, flat picking, singing songs, rhythmic patterns, chord study, bass playing, finger picking styles, melody construction, musical forms, tablature notation, improvisation, and performing experiences. Regular at home practice is essential for success in this course. There will be at least two public performances during the school year as well which will count toward the semester grade. Information will be given about these in the fall. There will also be after school rehearsals close to performances as well which will count toward the semester grade. Dates will be given at the beginning of each semester. This course will fulfill the Arts/Humanities/Occupational Education graduation requirement and may be repeated for credit. This class is instructed using nylon-string classical guitars. Instruments with steel strings will not be used regularly in class. If a student already owns their own instrument, they must have instructor approval to ensure it is in proper condition for success in the course. If a student wishes, they may easily purchase their own instrument. Students may also choose to rent a guitar from McQueen for a non-refundable rental fee of \$25 for the year.