

East Ridge High School Music Department

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Dear Parents & 8th Grade Musicians,

Greetings from the East Ridge High School Music Department! In the near future your family will be making important decisions that will set the tone for your high school career. The reason for this letter is to encourage you to continue with music!

There are many reasons to take band, choir, or orchestra in high school. Music courses fulfill the fine arts requirement for high school. Many music students also take rigorous AP and CIS courses. Music students are amongst our best and brightest socially and academically at ERHS. Most importantly, we believe that band, choir, and orchestra are a place for students to feel they belong. Our students appreciate the change of pace that music brings during their school day as a different kind of challenge.

Participation in a curricular music course also opens doors for co-curricular ensembles. For band this includes marching band, drumline, percussion ensemble, colorguard, pep band, and jazz band. Our chamber choir features some of the finest vocalists at ERHS. The orchestra program offers chamber orchestra and several other small ensembles.

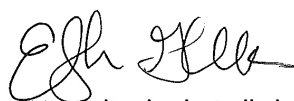
Musicians from ERHS are regularly recognized for outstanding achievements including MMEA All-State, MBDA, ACDA, state, regional, and national honors ensembles. Our groups take regular educational performance tours. Destinations have included Nashville, New York, Chicago, San Diego, Hawaii, and many more. Students involved in music at ERHS get opportunities that are second to none. This is your chance to make friends and memories that will last a lifetime!

Three important notes: #1. It is possible to take music through your high school career. Nearly all of our music students take AP, CIS, and World Language courses to prepare themselves for college. #2. You do not have to take phy ed during your 9th or 10th grade year. Many choose to wait until later in high school or take care of these requirements by taking an online or "Zero Hour" class. #3. If you have any questions, we are here to help answer them. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have questions or would like help in planning your student's schedule.

Warm Regards,



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ERHS Music Course Planning Guide

Music + General Courses + World Language

GRADE 9	TRIMESTER 1	TRIMESTER 2	TRIMESTER 3
0	Elective	Elective	Elective
1	Math I	Math I	Math I
2	English 9	English 9	English 9
3	Geography	Geography	9-12 Gen Phy Ed
4	Physical Science	Physical Science	Physical Science
5	World Language I	World Language I	World Language I
6	Music	Music	Music

Music + AP Path + World Language

GRADE 9	TRIMESTER 1	TRIMESTER 2	TRIMESTER 3
0	9-12 Gen Phy Ed	Elective	Elective
1	Math I	Math I	Math I
2	Honors English 9	Honors English 9	Honors English 9
3	AP Human Geo	AP Human Geo	AP Human Geo
4	Hon Phy Science/Bio	Hon Phy Science/Bio	Hon Phy Science/Bio
5	World Language I	World Language I	World Language I
6	Music	Music	Music

Music + All AP Courses + World Language + PLTW

GRADE 9	TRIMESTER 1	TRIMESTER 2	TRIMESTER 3
0	PLTW	PLTW	PLTW
1	Math I	Math I	Math I
2	Honors English 9	Honors English 9	Honors English 9
3	AP Human Geo	AP Human Geo	AP Human Geo
4	Hon Phy Science/Bio	Hon Phy Science/Bio	Hon Phy Science/Bio
5	World Language I	World Language I	World Language I
6	Music	Music	Music

GRADE 10	TRIMESTER 1	TRIMESTER 2	TRIMESTER 3
0	Elective	Elective	Elective
1	Math II	Math	Math II
2	English 10	English 10	English 10
3	World History	World History	World History
4	Biology	Biology	Biology
5	World Language II	World Language II	World Language II
6	Music	Music	Music

GRADE 10	TRIMESTER 1	TRIMESTER 2	TRIMESTER 3
0	Elective	Elective	Elective
1	Math II	Math II	Math II
2	Honors English 10	Honors English 10	Honors English 10
3	AP World History	AP World History	AP World History
4	Pre AP Chemistry	Pre AP Chemistry	Pre AP Chemistry
5	World Language II	World Language II	World Language II
6	Music	Music	Music

GRADE 10	TRIMESTER 1	TRIMESTER 2	TRIMESTER 3
0	PLTW	PLTW	PLTW
1	Math II	Math II	Math II
2	Honors English 10	Honors English 10	Honors English 10
3	AP World History	AP World History	AP World History
4	Pre AP Chemistry	Pre AP Chemistry	Pre AP Chemistry
5	World Language II	World Language II	World Language II
6	Music	Music	Music

GRADE 11	TRIMESTER 1	TRIMESTER 2	TRIMESTER 3
0	Elective	Elective	Elective
1	Math III	Math III	Math III
2	English 11	English 11	English 11
3	US History	US History	US History
4	Chemistry	Chemistry	Chemistry
5	Elective	Elective	Elective
6	Music	Music	Music

GRADE 11	TRIMESTER 1	TRIMESTER 2	TRIMESTER 3
0	Elective	Elective	Elective
1	Math III	Math III	Math III
2	AP Lang & Comp	AP Lang & Comp	AP Lang & Comp
3	AP US History	AP US History	AP US History
4	AP Science	AP Science	AP Science
5	Elective	Elective	Elective
6	Music	Music	Music

GRADE 11	TRIMESTER 1	TRIMESTER 2	TRIMESTER 3
0	PLTW	PLTW	PLTW
1	Math III	Math III	Math III
2	AP Lang & Comp	AP Lang & Comp	AP Lang & Comp
3	AP US History	AP US History	AP US History
4	AP Science	AP Science	AP Science
5	9-12 Gen Phy Ed	Elective	Elective
6	Music	Music	Music

GRADE 12	TRIMESTER 1	TRIMESTER 2	TRIMESTER 3
0	Elective	Elective	Elective
1	Elective (Math IV)	Elective (Math IV)	Elective (Math IV)
2	English 12	English 12	English 12
3	Political Science	Economics	Elective
4	Elective (Science IV)	Elective (Science IV)	Elective (Science IV)
5	Elective	Elective	Elective
6	Music	Music	Music

GRADE 12	TRIMESTER 1	TRIMESTER 2	TRIMESTER 3
0	Elective	Elective	Elective
1	AP Literature & Comp	AP Literature & Comp	AP Literature & Comp
2	CIS Poly Sci	CIS Poly Sci	AP Economics
3	Elective (Science IV)	Elective (Science IV)	Elective (Science IV)
4	Elective (Math IV)	Elective (Math IV)	Elective (Math IV)
5	Elective	Elective	Elective
6	Music	Music	Music

GRADE 12	TRIMESTER 1	TRIMESTER 2	TRIMESTER 3
0	PLTW	PLTW	PLTW
1	AP Literature & Comp	AP Literature & Comp	AP Literature & Comp
2	CIS Poly Sci	CIS Poly Sci	AP Economics
3	Elective (Science IV)	Elective (Science IV)	Elective (Science IV)
4	Elective (Math IV)	Elective (Math IV)	Elective (Math IV)
5	Elective	Elective	Elective
6	Music	Music	Music

* Many ERHS music students enroll in summer "Summer Academy" & "Zero Hour" courses to allow for more elective options during the school year.