



SASHS Orchestra Course Syllabus

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Course Description: Orchestra is an ensemble that provides students with learning and performance opportunities on wind, string, and percussion instruments. The orchestra performs two concerts during the school year, and also plays at the high school commencement ceremony at the end of the school year. Orchestra is a full block course that meets block 2 every day.

Objectives/Goals:

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- Bow and fingering techniques that apply to string instruments
- Music and musicality skills and techniques
- Effective rehearsal and performance habits and etiquette

Goals:

- Encourage each musician to grow and develop individually within the ensemble.
- Develop well-rounded musicians that can effectively participate in and enhance a performing music ensemble.
- Perform quality and effective performances for the community.

Methods of Evaluation:

- Rehearsal participation: a student earns an "A" (100%) for having all necessary items at every rehearsal. These include: instrument and music.
- Attendance at the two concerts (typically in December and May), and at commencement is required.

Course Activities/Topics: sight-reading, listening, large and small group rehearsals.

Suggested Supplies:

- All members: good working instrument and/or equipment; music (supplied)
- Strings: rosin, 1 set of extra strings
- Woodwinds: 3-4 good reeds (if applicable), cleaning cloth
- Brass: valve or slide oil, polishing cloth
- Percussion: sticks/mallets (most items are supplied)

Class Expectations:

- Have instrument and music, at every rehearsal.
- Be ready to participate at the designated times.
- Focus and pay attention to all directions and instructions from the director and assistants.
- Take care of all instruments and equipment.
- Always show/display your best efforts.

Classroom Management Plan:

- Consequences for classroom/rehearsal rules infractions: (include but not limited to):

Warning

Parent notification

Written referral