

COURSE TITLE: Concert Orchestra

Level of Difficulty	Estimated Homework	Prerequisites
Advanced	Daily practice required (30-45 minutes)	District: 9-12 grade students Prior String Training; prior orchestral experience highly recommended Department Suggestion: Audition Required

Course Description:

Building on the basic orchestral instruction provided in Orchestra CP, Concert Orchestra offers continued instruction in string instrument techniques, ensemble performance and musicianship. Students must have the ability to perform grade 4 music, demonstrated by audition or by the consent of the instructor. Concert Orchestra members will perform a variety of musical styles from multiple cultures for each other and for the community, in the full group and in small ensembles. Students will read, notate and compose music, and will study, analyze and compare the elements of music in different time periods. The evolution of musical styles and genres throughout history will be studied, as well as differences in music and instrumentation across various cultures.

Grading:

Mandatory performance at all concerts year-round, promotional performances, playing assignments; participation; 3 community service hours; audition for an approved honor orchestra by year-end

Availability:

- 1) Period 4B - rehearses simultaneously with the Chamber Orchestra Honors
- 2) Period 5 - rehearses independently; no sports conflicts allowed

Supplemental Information:

This course will satisfy the UC/CSU "F" requirement for graduation

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