Concert Orchestra

Course Description

Concert orchestra is a course offering to students who show proficiency on the violin, viola, cello, or bass. Students enrolled in this course will focus on the fundamentals of musicianship and performance. Emphasis will be placed on small and large group rehearsal, individual practice, and the growth of individual standards of excellence. Our aim is that students consider the performance of music as an experience to be enjoyed and valued during their years in high school and beyond.

Course Objective

In orchestra, students will use their instruments to perform alone, and with others in small and large ensembles. Students will also acquire an appreciation for music by completing projects that relate to the core of music, its history, composition, and theory.

Necessary Student Materials

Violin and Viola

- Mute
- Pencil
- Rosin
- Shoulder rest
- Strings (change all every year)
  Recommended brands: Dominant, Evah Pirazzi, Obligato, Vision
- Tuner/metronome

Cello and Bass

- Mute
- Pencil
- Rockstop
- Rosin
- Strings (change all every two years)
  Recommended brands: Larson, Spirocore, Jarger, Helicore, Evah Pirazzi
- Tuner/metronome

Concert Attire and Schedule

Please consult the Orchestra Handbook and Website.

Grading Scale

We follow the same grading scale as Legacy High School.

Grading Criteria

40% is citizenship, playing assessments, quizzes, and written assignments
30% is concert performances and evaluation
20% is comprised of semester projects and "Giving Bach"
10% is from a semester final
Classroom grades can be accessed through PowerSchool on the school website.

Classroom Expectations

Students will display classroom citizenship at all times.

Make-up Policy

An *excused absence* from a concert can be made up for points toward your concert grade. Please see Mrs. Tafelmeyer for details.

Chamber Orchestra

Course Description
Chamber Orchestra is a course offering to students who show advanced proficiency on the violin, viola, cello, or bass. Students enrolled in this course will focus on a high caliber of musicianship and performance. Emphasis will be placed on small and large group rehearsal, individual practice, and the growth of individual standards of excellence. Our aim is that students consider the performance of music as an experience to be enjoyed and valued during their years in high school and beyond.

Course Objective
In orchestra, students will use their instruments to perform alone, and with others in small and large ensembles. Students will also acquire an appreciation for music by completing projects that relate to the core of music, its history, composition, and theory.

Necessary Student Materials

Violin and Viola

- Mute
- Pencil
- Rosin
- Shoulder rest
- Strings (change all every year)
  Recommended brands: Dominant, Evah Pirazzi, Obligato, Vision
- Tuner/metronome

Cello and Bass

- Mute
- Pencil
- Rockstop
- Rosin
- Strings (change all every two years)
  Recommended brands: Larson, Spirocore, Jarger, Helicore, Evah Pirazzi
- Tuner/metronome

Concert Attire and Schedule
Please consult the Orchestra Handbook and Website.

Grading Scale
We follow the same grading scale as Legacy High School.

Grading Criteria
40% is citizenship, playing assessments, quizzes, and written assignments
30% is concert performances and evaluation
20% is comprised of student projects and "Giving Bach"
10% is from a semester final
Classroom grades can be accessed through PowerSchool on the school website.

Classroom Expectations
Students will display classroom citizenship at all times.

Make-up Policy
An *excused absence* from a concert can be made up for points toward your concert grade. Please see Mrs. Tafelmeyer for details.