MUSIC

COURSE	CREDIT	OPEN TO	PREREQUISITE
Beginning Guitar	0.5	9-12	None
Intermediate Guitar	0.5	9-12	Beginning Guitar or department recommendation
Concert Band	1.0	9-12	None
Symphonic Band	1.0	10-12	None
Honors Symphonic Winds	1.0	9-12	Audition
Honors Wind Ensemble	1.0	9-12	Audition
Honors Jazz Ensemble	1.0	9-12	Enrollment in HWE/HSW/SB/CB or department recommendation
Jazz Orchestra	1.0	9-12	Enrollment in HWE/HSW/SB/CB and Audition
Jazz Workshop	0.5	9-12	Enrollment in HWE/HSW/SB/CB and Audition
Chorale (co-ed)	1.0	9-12	None
Bella Voce	1.0	9-12	Audition
Honors Concert Choir	1.0	9-12	Audition
Honors Master Singers	1.0	9-12	Audition
Lights (all female show choir)	1.0	9-12	Audition and enrollment in a concert ensemble
Sound FX (all male show choir)	1.0	9-12	Audition and enrollment in a concert ensemble
Mundelein Sound (co-ed show choir)	1.0	9-12	Audition and enrollment in a concert ensemble
AP Music Theory	1.0	10-12	Department recommendation

BEGINNING GUITAR	Beginning Guitar is designed to introduce the basic techniques and musical skills required to perform on guitar
Prerequisite: None	in several styles. Students will learn basic chords, strumming
Open to: Grades 9-12	patterns, and melodies via music notation.
Length: 1 semester	
Credits: 0.5	
Course Number: MU6200	

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Prerequisite: Beginning Guitar

Open to: Grades 9-12 Length: 1 semester

Credits: 0.5

Course Number: MU6220

techniques and reading skills required to perform on guitar in several styles. Students will begin thorough and focused study of scale patterns, movable chord shapes, and

improvisation techniques.

INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLES

- Marching Band will run first semester; however, students enrolled in band will be waived from PE for the entire year.
- Required performances occur outside of the school day and include concerts, music festival, football games, and pep band games.
- Summer Marching Band Camp is required for participation in all bands.
- Students selected for Drumline and Color Guard will have additional required summer camps.

CONCERT BAND

Prerequisite: None Open to: Grades 9-12 Length: 2 semesters

Credits: 1.0

Course Number: MU1000

Concert Band is our entry-level band designed to build on the fundamental instrumental skills covered in junior high school and middle school bands. Students perform wind and percussion literature of an intermediate difficulty level in a standard concert band setting.

SYMPHONIC BAND

Prerequisite: None
Open to: Grades 10-12
Length: 2 semesters

Credits: 1.0

Course Number: MU2000

Symphonic Band is our intermediate level band designed to further develop skills in ensemble performance beyond what is covered in Concert Band. This ensemble performs literature of a moderated to advanced difficulty level.

HONORS SYMPHONIC WINDS

Prerequisite: Audition Open to: Grades 9-12 Length: 2 semesters

Credits: 1.0

Course Number: MU2100

Symphonic Winds is our advanced band designed to further develop skills in ensemble performance. This ensemble performs literature of an advanced difficulty level. Solo/Ensemble festival participation is required for this course. Honors credit is given for this course. Auditions for Honors-level bands are held during February for the following year.

HONORS WIND ENSEMBLE

Prerequisite: Audition Open to: Grades 9-12 Length: 2 semesters

Credits: 1.0

Course Number: MU3000

Wind Ensemble is our elite band designed to refine instrumental music skills through performance. This ensemble performs literature at a college and professional level. Solo/Ensemble festival participation is required for this course. Honors credit is given for this course. Auditions for Honors-level bands are held during February for the

following year.

HONORS JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Prerequisite: Enrollment in a concert band and

Audition

Open to: Grades 9-12 Length: 2 semesters

Credits: 1.0

Course Number: MU6320

Jazz Ensemble is our elite jazz band designed to refine instrumental music skills through performance. This ensemble performs literature at a college and professional level.

JAZZ ORCHESTRA

Prerequisite: Enrollment in a concert band and

Audition

Open to: Grades 9-12 Length: 2 semesters

Credits: 1.0

Course Number: MU6340

Jazz Orchestra is our advanced jazz band designed to further develop skills in ensemble performance. This ensemble performs jazz literature of an advanced difficulty level.

JAZZ WORKSHOP

Prerequisite: Enrollment in a concert band or

department recommendation

Open to: Grades 9-12 Length: 1 semester

Credits: 0.5

Course Number: MU6360

Jazz Workshop is our intermediate jazz band designed to further develop skills in jazz performance. This ensemble performs jazz literature of an intermediate difficulty level.

VOCAL GROUPS

If you enjoy singing, consider the choral musical opportunities at MHS. No prior music experience is necessary. All interested students should register for choir, and the counselor and Choral Director will place them in the appropriate group. All choirs perform.

- Participation in all public performances is required.
- Mundelein Sound meets exclusively after school, and will be waived from PE.
- Lights and SoundFX will meet during the school day, and will be waived from PE.
- Auditions for all choirs except Chorale are held in February and March.

Please visit the choir website for information:

http://:www.d120.org/activities/rz/sound/auditions/default.aspx

CHORALE

Prerequisite: None (co-ed) Open to: Grades 9-12 Length: 2 semesters

Credits: 1.0

Course Number: MU1500

Chorale is for the first year choir student at Mundelein High School. It is a beginning level co-ed ensemble, and students must participate in one year of Chorale in order to move on to another choral ensemble, unless they place out of Chorale due to their audition and placement exam. Students do not need to have prior knowledge of singing to participate. Three and four part literature, the basics of music theory and sight-singing, as well as the foundations of vocal technique are explored. Students perform at all four choral concerts during the school year.

BELLA VOCE

Prerequisite: Audition Open to: Grades 9-12 Length: 2 semesters

Credits: 1.0

Course Number: MU2600

Bella Voce is for the intermediate student who has participated in one year of Chorale, or placed into this ensemble due to their audition and placement exam. Students in Bella Voce will study intermediate choral literature of various styles and genres to advance their vocal training. Intermediate vocal technique, music theory, and sight-singing are emphasized in this ensemble, and students perform at all four choral concerts during the school year.

HONORS CONCERT CHOIR

Prerequisite: Audition (co-ed)

Open to: Grades 9-12 Length: 2 semesters

Credits: 1.0

Course Number: MU3500

Honors Concert Choir is for the intermediate to advanced male or female student who has participated in one year of Chorale, or who has been placed into this ensemble based on their audition and placement exam. Students in Concert Choir will study intermediate to advanced mixed voice literature, vocal technique, music theory, and sight singing. Students sing at all choral concerts during the year as well as graduation and community events as requested. In addition, Concert Choir has a special off-site annual concert with Master Singers in the Spring.

HONORS MASTER SINGERS

Prerequisite: Audition (co-ed)

Open to: Grades 9-12 Length: 2 semesters

Credits: 1.0

Course Number: MU2500

Honors Master Singers is for the most advanced male or female choral student. Students will study advanced vocal technique, music theory and literature. Students sing at all choral concerts during the year as well as graduation and community events as requested. In addition, Master Singers has a special off-site annual concert with the Honors Concert Choir in the Spring. Many boys and girls in this group are members of SoundFX (boys) and the Mundelein Lights (girls) Show Choirs.

LIGHTS

Prerequisite: Audition (all-female); Enrollment in a

Concert Ensemble (Band or Choir)

Open to: Grades 9-12 Length: 2 semesters

Credits: 1.0

Lights is the all-female show choir of MHS. It is an auditioned group of singers who are enrolled in a concert ensemble (choir or band) another period of the day, or have been placed in this group at the directors' discretion. Students in show choir study pop and Broadway music that is then choreographed and performed at competitions around the Midwest from January through

Course Number: MU6500

March. Besides their daily rehearsals, students in Lights also rehearse on some Saturdays throughout the year. There is a fee associated with this class.

SOUND FX

Prerequisite: Audition (all-male); Enrollment in a

Concert Ensemble (Band or Choir)

Open to: Grades 9-12 Length: 2 semesters

Credits: 1.0

Course Number: MU6400

SoundFX is the all-male show choir of MHS. It is an auditioned group of singers who are enrolled in a concert ensemble (choir or band) another period of the day or have been placed in this group at the directors' discretion. Students in show choir study pop and Broadway music that is then choreographed and performed at competitions around the Midwest from January through March. Besides their daily rehearsals, students in FX also rehearse on some Saturdays throughout the year. There is a fee associated with this class.

MUNDELEIN SOUND

Prerequisite: Audition (co-ed); Enrollment in a

Concert Ensemble (Band or Choir)

Open to: Grades 9-12 Length: 2 semesters

Credits: 1.0

Course Number: MU6600

Sound is the award winning mixed show choir of MHS. It is an auditioned group of singers who are enrolled in choir or band during the school day, and most are also enrolled in Show choir/PE. This class meets immediately after school from 3:10pm to 4:00pm daily as well as some Saturdays throughout the year. Students in show choir study pop and Broadway music that is then choreographed and performed at competitions around the Midwest from January through March. This class fulfills the PE requirement for the year. There is a fee associated with this class.

AP MUSIC THEORY

Prerequisite: Department Recommendation

Open to: Grades 10-12 Length: 2 semesters

Credits: 1.0

Students must have faculty recommendation and approval to be enrolled in this course. They must also be able to fluidly read music notation and rhythms to enroll in this course. The study of music theory includes the study of melody, harmony, rhythm, ear training and analysis and music history. Students will learn to compose original music, as well as analyze compositions from a variety of musical styles.

Course Number: MU6120

It is highly recommended that all students in an Advanced Placement course take the Advanced Placement Exam offered each May by the College Board.