

Lincoln-Way West Music Department Performing Ensembles



CURRICULAR ENSEMBLES

There are instrumental and choral ensembles that meet during the school day. Eligible students will earn Honors Credit in these ensembles based on audition.

***All incoming 9th grade students need to sign-up for 'choir' with their guidance counselors. Students will have the opportunity to audition for Chorale/Madrigals near the end of their first year at West.**

All band students will audition for 2021-20212 ensembles.

This audition will serve for ensemble placement for band. All band students are encouraged to audition. More information will be released about auditions in the coming months.

Band

- Wind Ensemble, Wind Symphony, Symphonic Band
- Percussion (meets separately from the winds)

Choir

- Chorale & Mixed Choir

Orchestra

- Will combine with the Central and District Orchestra for select performances

Guitar Studio

- Based on audition

CO-CURRICULAR ENSEMBLES

There are many co-curricular musical ensembles to take part in.

Instrumental

- **Marching Band**—extensive performances and competitions throughout late Summer and Fall
- **Color Guard**—open to ALL students!
- **Jazz Band**—begins in November; based on audition and perform at festivals and concerts
- **Pep Band**—plays for many home Varsity Basketball Games, begins in November

Choral

- **Madrigals**—acceptance is based on audition and begins in the Fall, extensive performances and the always anticipated dinners in December
- **Spring Musical**—ALL students who act, sing or dance are encouraged to audition. A pit orchestra will also be needed
- **BellAcappella & Men of Note**—boys and girls choirs open to ALL students; prepare pop music to perform at concerts



Lincoln-Way West Music Department Classes

Every student at Lincoln-Way is required to have one elective credit. Each semester class is worth ½ credit, the classes below will help fulfill that requirement:

Piano: (*one semester*) NO PREVIOUS MUSIC EXPERIENCE NEEDED! Learn how to play the piano and basics of music theory.

Music Production: (*one semester*) Open to all students who have completed Piano 1 or have studied piano privately. Learn how to compose original music on computers and keyboards.

Guitar 1 & 2: (*one semester each*) NO PREVIOUS MUSIC EXPERIENCE NEEDED! Learn how to play the guitar, note and tab reading/playing, chords, and basics of music theory. Completion of both of these courses allow students to audition for Guitar Studio.

American Music (Dual Credit): (*one semester*) Open to all juniors and seniors. This course studies the development of American musical culture from Colonial Times to the present. Including Colonial and Federal Periods, nineteenth century American music, the rise of pop culture, jazz and popular music of the twentieth century.

QUESTIONS? NEED MORE INFO?

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