INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC CLASSES AT MONTE VISTA HIGH SCHOOL

Questions? Please contact Director Mr. Ed Cloyd at ecloyd@srvusd.net

JAZZ BAND ("Jazz B")

Grades: 9-12 Prerequisite: Successful completion of audition process. This is considered an intermediate jazz course. Students must have prior experience on a traditional jazz instrument: saxophone, trumpet, trombone, piano, bass, electric guitar or drum set. The class will include elements of jazz theory, historical and cultural context, and connections to other disciplines. Introduction and enhancement of improvisation skills and techniques will be covered.



MARCHING BAND (Fall Semester)

Grades: 9-12 All musicians welcome. Auxiliary by audition.

The focus of the class is to develop instrumental techniques, using a wide spectrum of marching band literature. The class will include elements of movement and performance skills. This group will represent the school at school, community and regional events. Note: Satisfies visual/performing arts SRVUSD requirement, provided it is not used for PE credit.

ORCHESTRA

Grades: 9-12 All String players are welcome.

Wind and Percussion instruments by audition/consent of instructor. The focus of the class is to develop string and instrumental ensemble techniques. A variety of orchestra literature will be covered. Previous string experience is encouraged.

SYMPHONIC BAND

Grades: 9-12

The focus of this class is a continuation of intermediate/advanced instrumental techniques using a wide spectrum of intermediate/advanced wind band literature. This class will include a more in depth study of musical elements, historical and cultural context, and connections to other disciplines.

JAZZ ENSEMBLE ("Jazz A")

Grades: 10-12 Audition/consent of instructor.

This is considered an advanced jazz course. The class will include advanced elements of jazz theory, historical and cultural context, and connections to other disciplines. Advanced improvisation skills and techniques will be utilized.

WIND ENSEMBLE

Grades: 10-12 Audition/consent of instructor.

The focus of this class is a continuation of advanced instrumental techniques using a wide spectrum of advanced wind ensemble literature. This class will include an advanced study of musical elements, historical and cultural context, and connections to other disciplines.

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