

# **BAND & MUSIC COURSE OFFERINGS**

## **CONCERT BANDS**

WIND ENSEMBLE - BY AUDITION ONLY  
SYMPHONIC BAND  
CONCERT BAND

## **JAZZ BANDS**

RED KNIGHT JAZZ - BY AUDITION ONLY  
VARSITY JAZZ - BY AUDITION ONLY  
JV JAZZ

## **OTHER BAND/MUSIC CLASSES**

PERCUSSION  
STEEL DRUMS  
PIANO  
GUITAR  
THEORY 1  
THEORY 2  
AP THEORY  
AICE MUSIC

## **AFTER SCHOOL ENSEMBLES**

MARCHING BAND  
INDOOR PERCUSSION  
INDOOR COLOR GUARD

## **WHY SHOULD I ATTEND NORTH HIGH?**

NORTH HIGH IS THE ONLY BAND IN LEE COUNTY WITH TWO BAND DIRECTORS. THIS ALLOWS US TO OFFER MORE CLASSES TO STUDENTS WHICH ALLOWS KIDS THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPERIENCE MORE OF THE ARTS. IT IS THE ONLY DOUBLE MAGNET SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY WHICH ENABLES STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN HIGH-LEVEL ARTS CLASSES ALONG WITH HIGH-ACHIEVING ACADEMIC CLASSES . WE ALSO OFFER A PERCUSSION-ONLY CLASS AND ARE THE ONLY HIGH SCHOOL THAT CURRENTLY OFFERS STEEL DRUMS. WE ARE THE ONLY SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY THAT HOSTS AN INDOOR PERCUSSION AND AN INDOOR GUARD ENSEMBLE THAT IS OPEN TO ANY STUDENT TO PARTICIPATE. WE ARE THE ONLY MARCHING BAND IN THE COUNTY THAT COMPETES THROUGHOUT THE STATE AND TRAVELS TO A STATE COMPETITION EVERY YEAR.

**IF YOU'RE A STUDENT WHO LOVES THE ARTS, NORTH IS THE BEST SCHOOL FOR YOU!**

# BAND FAQ

## **WHAT OTHER OPPORTUNITIES ARE THERE FOR BAND STUDENTS?**

OUR STUDENTS HAVE MANY CHANCES TO PLAY! IN ADDITION TO OUR NUMEROUS DAILY CLASSES WE ALSO ENCOURAGE OUR STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR EXTRA-CURRICULAR ENSEMBLES..

WE ALSO PARTICIPATE IN MUSIC PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT AND MULTIPLE CONCERT PERFORMANCES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. INDIVIDUALS HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PLAY FOR SOLO AND ENSEMBLE ASSESSMENT, ALL COUNTY, ALL STATE, AND HAVE THE CHANCE TO ATTEND NUMEROUS BAND FESTIVALS THROUGHOUT THE STATE.

## **WHAT ARE THE NFMHS STUDENTS ACHIEVING THIS YEAR?**

WE HAVE 3 STUDENTS GOING TO ALL-STATE BAND IN TAMPA (WHICH IS THE MOST IN OUR COUNTY). NFMHS MARCHING BAND WAS THE ONLY BAND IN LEE COUNTY TO ATTEND FMBC STATE MARCHING CHAMPIONSHIPS AND ACHIEVED THEIR HIGHEST RATING AND PLACEMENT IN SCHOOL HISTORY.. THE BAND PROGRAM HAD A RECORD-BREAKING 24 STUDENTS MAKE IT INTO ALL-COUNTY BAND.

## **CAN YOU PARTICIPATE IN BAND IF YOU'RE AICE OR A DIFFERENT ARTS MAJOR?**

YES! YES! YES! WE HAVE DANCE, THEATRE, ORCHESTRA, CHOIR, AND VISUAL ARTS MAJORS IN BAND! MANY OF THEM ARE ALSO AICE STUDENTS. JUST BECAUSE YOU HAVE A MAJOR DOES NOT MEAN YOU CAN'T TAKE OTHER ELECTIVES. WE LIKE TO SEE OUR ARTS STUDENTS TAKING MULTIPLE ARTS CLASSES FOR A WELL-ROUNDED ARTS EDUCATION. MAJORITY OF OUR STUDENTS ARE ALSO VERY ACADEMICALLY GIFTED AND PARTICIPATE IN THE AICE PROGRAM. IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO DO BOTH AICE AND MARCHING BAND AND WE HIGHLY ENCOURAGE YOU TO COME OUT AND TRY MARCHING BAND YOUR FRESHMAN YEAR.

## **AS AN INCOMING FRESHMAN AM I ABLE TO PLAY IN YOUR TOP ENSEMBLES?**

YES! STUDENTS OF ANY GRADE-LEVEL ARE WELCOME TO ALL ENSEMBLES. ENSEMBLE PLACEMENT IS BASED OFF OF CURRENT SKILL LEVEL AND CHANGE EVERY YEAR.

## **IS MARCHING BAND REQUIRED?**

NO, BUT WE HIGHLY ENCOURAGE OUR STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR EXTRA-CURRICULARS. OUR MARCHING BAND IS MADE UP OF 120 STUDENTS AND IT IS AN AMAZING PROGRAM TO MAKE FRIENDS, CREATE MUSIC, PUT ON ONE-OF-A-KIND PERFORMANCES, AND TRAVEL THROUGHOUT THE STATE.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO EMAIL MRS. JOHNSON**

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