



Junior Concert Band 8

Course Code: MMU-08CB

Welcome to Seycove Music's Band Program! The courses in the Band Program are designed to provide students with progressive training in instrumental music. Students will learn about the technical aspects of music performance, basic music history and theory, and they will experience a variety of different musical genres. The difference between the different ensembles is the complexity of the music performed. Junior level courses focus on basic performance and playing skills and an introduction to different musical genres. Senior level courses focus on a higher level of music with additional performances. Each band functions as a team. Every member has a responsibility to that band and every member's contribution is valued and is essential. Students work together to create a safe and welcoming learning environment that allows them to take risks and try new things.

Concert Band 8-12 can be taken by any student even with no prior band experience. Jazz Band 8-12 must be taken at the same time as a Concert Band. No experience is required for Concert Band courses. Jazz Band students must have prior experience on their instrument before joining. Concert Band performs numerous different styles of music from classical to movie soundtracks to popular music. Jazz Band explores many modern genres of music including rock, funk, pop, swing, Latin and more.

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*This course is open to beginners and no previous experience is required.

Concert Band 8 (also known as Junior Concert Band) is an introduction to higher-level instrumental ensemble playing. The big ideas of the course include:

- Music is a **unique language** for creating and communicating.
- Creative growth requires **patience, readiness to take risks, and willingness to try new approaches.**
- **Individual and collective expression** can be achieved **through the arts.**
- Artists often **challenge the status quo** and open us to **new perspectives and experiences.**

Students will learn and explore in a large-ensemble environment to achieve proficiency in course competencies including exploring and creating, reasoning and reflecting while exploring a wide variety of musical content.

Concert Band performs numerous different styles of music from classical to movie soundtracks to popular music. Students will continue to build on their technical facility, tone production, musicality and music theory skills. Students will perform in a number of different concerts throughout the year. Concert attendance and purchase of a basic uniform is mandatory. Students in this ensemble will likely have an opportunity to go on tour.

Supplemental Fee Applies