

## Sample Plan for Band

(Good for class of 2012 only, new 8th grade students 2007-2008)

Here is a sample plan that includes all of the courses you will need, in addition to band, for the state's Recommended Plan for graduation. Remember, in middle school there are 7 periods per day and in there will be 7 periods in high school starting in the fall of 2008. Band students receive a PE waiver for participating in HS marching band during the fall semester. Students will need to take 3 fall semesters of Band to fulfill their PE requirement for HS.

**7 periods per day**

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Language Arts  
Math  
Science  
Social Studies  
P.E.  
Reading  
Band

### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

Language Arts  
Math  
Science  
Social Studies  
P.E.  
Elective  
Band

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Language Arts  
Math\*\*  
Science\*\*  
Social Studies  
PE  $\frac{1}{2}$  &  
AAS  $\frac{1}{2}$  \*  
Elective  
Band

### 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

English I  
Math  
Science  
World Geography  
Health  $\frac{1}{2}$  &  
Comm. Appl.  $\frac{1}{2}$   
Band I-PE Waiver  
Elective

### 10<sup>th</sup> Grade

English II  
Math  
Science  
World History  
Foreign Language I  
Band II-PE Waiver  
Elective

### 11<sup>th</sup> Grade

English III  
Math  
Science  
U.S. History  
Foreign Language II  
Band III-PE Waiver  
Elective

### 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

English IV  
Math or Elective\*\*  
Science or Elective\*\*  
Govt./Economics  
Technology Applications  
Band IV (Elective)  
Elective

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Students need 26 credits for the new state HS recommended plan. All students will be able to get 28 credits during their high school career without taking any HS credit courses in MS, summer school, or zero hour.

\*Students need to take AAS either during their 8<sup>th</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup> grade year.

\*\* Students who take Algebra I and IPC in eighth grade may choose to count them for one of the four required HS Math or Science Classes.

Talk to your HS counselors to plan the best Math and Science classes for you.

If your child is also interested in athletics, you can do athletics and band by taking a few more high school courses in middle school, taking one of the "zero" hour options at the high school, taking health by correspondence, or taking some summer school classes. **You can do band and athletics** all six years and graduate at the top of your class with all of your credits! We have high school band athletes that do it all of the time.

Remember, taking band all the way through middle AND high school shows commitment, and looks great on a high school transcript. Many band students (even non-music majors) can earn college scholarships by playing in college band programs. If you need help figuring out how to arrange your child's schedule so that they can take band all the way through high school, please contact your child's band director.