

Sample Plan for Band

(Good for class of 2013 and beyond, new 6th and 7th grade students)

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

<u>6th Grade</u>	<u>7th Grade</u>	<u>8th Grade</u>
Language Arts	Language Arts	Language Arts
Math	Math	Math**
Science	Science	Science
Social Studies	Social Studies	Social Studies
P.E.	P.E.	PE $\frac{1}{2}$ &
Reading	Elective	AAS $\frac{1}{2}$ *
Band	Band	Elective
		Band

7 periods per day

<u>9th Grade</u>	<u>10th Grade</u>	<u>11th Grade</u>	<u>12th Grade</u>
English I	English II	English III	English IV
Math	Math	Math	Math or Elective**
Science	Science	Science	Science
World Geography	World History	U.S. History	Govt./Economics
Health $\frac{1}{2}$ &	Foreign Language I	Foreign Language II	Technology Applications
Comm. Appl. $\frac{1}{2}$	Band II-PE Waiver	Band III-PE Waiver	Band IV (Elective)
Band I-PE Waiver	Elective	Elective	Elective
Elective			

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 8th or 9th grade year.

** Students who take Algebra I in eighth grade may choose to count it for one of the four required HS Math 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.