



Frequently Asked Questions?

Grades 9-12 Instrumental

Can students be in band and participate in other activities?

Yes! We currently have students in band and football, basketball, hockey, swimming, volleyball, soccer, track, cheerleading, theatre, Peer Ministry, Peer Helping, Peer Tutoring, and more!

When can students audition for band?

All students that register for band are accepted automatically. We will audition students in the spring to determine the best placement for them within the group. Only high school students who wish to be in Symphonic Band need to audition. Middle school students do not need to audition.

Can students be in band and choir?

Currently the school schedule does not permit a student to register for both band and choir as a class during the school day. However, both music groups offer co-curricular experiences which may fulfill your student's desire to be in both band and choir.

Please visit our website for more information.
www.hill-murray.org/band.asp

Hill-Murray School currently offers the following instrumental music opportunities: Middle School Band, Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Honors Symphonic Band, AP Music Theory, Jazz Band, Pep Band, Marching Band, All-Conference Band, All-State Band, Region 4 AA Solo/Ensemble Contest, Region 4 AA Large Group Contest, access to honor bands, and an opportunity to earn a Varsity Letter and other awards.

All Hill-Murray School band students in grades 9-12 participate in Marching Band, which rehearses during their scheduled band period. Also, all high school band students are asked to perform for their fair share of Pep Band performances during the Fall and Winter Quarters.



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Four-Year Planning Guide

Which classes will I need to meet Hill-Murray graduation requirements?

Following is a sample four-year schedule showing requirements and band as an elective. Students have course choices within the school requirements.

Grade 9	Semester 1		Computer Literacy	Covenant & Community	Physical Science	Elective	Band
	English	Math					
	Semester 2		Phy. Ed.	Health	Physical Science	Elective	Band
	English	Math					

Grade 10	Semester 1		World History	New Testament	Biology	Elective	Band
	English	Math					
	Semester 2		World History	Phy. Ed.	Biology	Elective	Band
	English	Math					

Grade 11	Semester 1		US History	The Church	Elective	Elective	Elective	Band
	English							
	Semester 2		US History	Religion Course	Elective	Elective	Elective	Band
	English							

Grade 12	Semester 1		Senior Social St.	Social Justice	Elective	Elective	Elective	Band
	English							
	Semester 2		Senior Social St.	Religion Course	Elective	Elective	Elective	Band
	English							

“A school band or orchestra is a microcosm of society. It teaches cooperation, respect, listening skills, analysis and synthesis, creativity and expression, personal responsibility, interpersonal communication; all the psychosocial skills most sought after by Fortune 500 corporations in future employees. In short playing a musical instrument teaches life skills that are adaptable (and applicable) to every personal and professional challenge.”

-Tracey Leenman

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“Musical training appears to dramatically enhance a child’s abstract thinking skills and spatial-temporal ability - skills necessary for mathematics and science - even more than computer instruction does.”

-Dr. Frances Rauscher