

Band Classes at Centennial

Marching Band/Color Guard:

The Champaign Centennial Marching Chargers includes Winds, Drumline, Pit Percussion, and Color Guard. The Band begins practice during a two week Band Camp, before the start of school. The Marching Band rehearses 1st Hour every day of first semester. The Band will perform at all home football games on Friday nights, several marching competitions on Saturdays, and the CU Marching Showcase. All students will also be included in the Pep Band rosters, see below.

Students must commit to all listed rehearsals and performances. Any conflicts must be emailed to Mr. Allen and Mr. Ford at allenmike@u4sd.org and fordbr@u4sd.org **at least two weeks in advance. Work/babysitting is not excused.** Repeated unexcused absences will result in being sidelined or reassigned back to PE.

Concert Band:

3rd Hour, both semesters. Non-auditioned ensemble for musicians developing intermediate skills. Students will perform at three evening concerts plus our annual Spring Showcase. Students will also perform at select festivals/competitions as announced. All students will also be included in Pep Bands, see below.

Symphonic Band:

2nd Hour, both semesters. Auditioned ensemble for students developing advanced skills. Students will perform at three evening concerts, our annual Spring Showcase, and for graduation. Students will also perform at select festivals/competitions as announced. All students will also be included in Pep Band, see below.

Jazz Bands:

Two after school ensembles will rehearse from 3:30-4:30 on Wednesdays and Thursdays starting after the start of the Fall semester.

- Jazz Ensemble: Students must be enrolled in 2nd Hr Symphonic Band or an Orchestra class
- Jazz Lab Band: Will be primarily students from 3rd Hr Concert Band; open to students in Orchestra class or not in a performing ensemble class

Pep Bands:

We will create two Pep Bands (Silver and Blue) from the rosters of the Marching Band, Concert Band, and Symphonic Band. The Pep Bands will be a blend of students from these ensembles to ensure that both have good instrumentation. Each Pep Band will be assigned to approximately half of the home basketball games from December through February.

Beginning Band:

1st Hour, second semester. Open to all students. This class allows students to learn a new band instrument, practice their own instrument independently, and/or serve as a student leader to help others learn to play new instruments.