

HOW TO TAKE ORCHESTRA ALL FOUR YEARS

Distinguished Level of Achievement Graduation Plan

4 Years of Orchestra

	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
1	English I	English II	English III	English IV
2	Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II	Choice Math
3	Biology	IPC, Chemistry, or Physics	Choice Science	Choice Science
4	World Geography*	World History*	US History	Government/Economics
5	PE	LOTE	LOTE	Elective
6	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra
7	Elective	Elective	Choice (not needed to graduate)	Choice (not needed to graduate)

4 Years of Orchestra + Athletics

	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
1	English I	English II	English III	English IV
2	Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II	Choice Math
3	Biology	IPC, Chemistry, or Physics	Choice Science	Choice Science
4	World Geography*	World History*	US History	Government/Economics
5	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra
6	Athletics	Athletics	Athletics	Athletics
7	LOTE	LOTE	Choice (not needed to graduate)	Choice (not needed to graduate)

*Recommended, but only one course required for graduation.

Notes

- Distinguished Level of Achievement is required for consideration for Top 10% recognition and eligibility for automatic admission to a Texas public college or university.
 - Every plan below includes Algebra II, ensuring each student is on track to earn the DLA.
- Texas college admissions representatives emphasize a well-rounded application that includes:
 - SAT/ACT scores
 - GPA and class rank
 - Class rigor, such as AP and Dual Credit
 - Long-term involvement in an organization (such as Orchestra) which demonstrates commitment, determination, and grit
- Even with proper planning, some schedule conflicts may arise; a student may need to be flexible when finalizing choices.
- Please visit your counselor for more detailed guidance on course selection. This document serves as a general guide to show how *any* student can remain involved in a fine art course continuously throughout grades 9 -12.

To see the full plans for each Endorsement, please utilize the link at this QR Code:



STEM Endorsement 1: CTE; Business and Industry Endorsement 1: CTE

Orchestra

	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
1	English I	English II	English III	English IV
2	Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II	Choice Math
3	Biology	Chemistry	Physics* / Choice Science (*required for STEM)	Choice Science
4	World Geography*	World History*	US History	Government/Economics
5	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra
6	CTE Elective	CTE Elective	CTE Elective	CTE Elective
7	LOTE	LOTE	PE	Choice (not needed to graduate)

Ag Welding, Architectural Drafting and Design (home campus), Computer Science, Plant Science, Accounting and Financial Services, Animation, Commercial Photography, Entrepreneurship, Environmental & Natural Resources, Fashion Design, Marketing & Sales

Orchestra + Athletics

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3	Biology	Chemistry	Physics* / Choice Science (*required for STEM)	Choice Science
4	LOTE	LOTE	US History	Government/Economics
5	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra
6	CTE Elective	CTE Elective	CTE Elective	CTE Elective
7	Athletics	Athletics	Athletics	Athletics

➤ Excluded from plan: World Geography or World History

○ Select one option:

- Take Spanish I in 8th Grade (two years of LOTE no longer needed above)
- Take online or summer school for World Geography or World History

STEM Endorsement 2 & 3: Math/Science

Orchestra

	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
1	English I	English II	English III	English IV
2	Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II	Choice Math
3	Biology	Chemistry	Physics	Choice Science
4	World Geography*	World History*	US History	Government/Economics
5	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra
6	PE	Elective	Elective	Choice Math/Science
7	LOTE	LOTE	Choice (not needed to graduate)	Choice (not needed to graduate)

Orchestra + Athletics

	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
1	English I	English II	English III	English IV
2	Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II	Choice Math
3	Biology	Chemistry	Physics	Choice Science
4	World Geography*	World History*	US History	Government/Economics
5	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra
6	LOTE	LOTE	Choice (not needed to graduate)	Choice Math/Science
7	Athletics	Athletics	Athletics	Athletics

STEM Endorsement 1: CTE; Business and Industry Endorsement 1: CTE

Orchestra

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3	Biology	Chemistry	Physics* / Choice Science (*required for STEM)	Choice Science
4	World Geography*	World History*	US History	Government/Economics
5	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra
6	LOTE	LOTE	PE	2 periods at Miller
7	CTE Elective	CTE Elective	CTE Elective	2 periods at Miller

Clinical Rotations, Dental Assisting, Computer Technician, Cybersecurity, Medical Assistant, Architectural Drafting and Design (home campus), Business Management, Construction Management & Inspection, Culinary Arts, Real Estate Dual Credit

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3	Biology	Chemistry	Physics* / Choice Science (*required for STEM)	Choice Science
4	LOTE	US History	Government/Economics	2 periods at Miller
5	CTE Elective	CTE Elective	CTE Elective	2 periods at Miller
6	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra
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- Excluded from plan: World Geography or World History; one year of LOTE
 - Select a path for the two courses:
 - Take Spanish I in 8th Grade AND World Geography or World History online or in summer school
 - Take LOTE in person in high school both years AND take two courses online or in summer school (one of which is World Geography or World History)
 - See your counselor for additional summer school options - there are many courses and ways to work with your schedule!

Business and Industry Endorsement 2: English; Arts and Humanities 1: English

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3	Biology	IPC, Chemistry, or Physics	Choice Science	Choice Science
4	World Geography*	World History*	US History	Government/Economics
5	PE	LOTE	LOTE	Choice (not needed to graduate)
6	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra
7	English Elective	English Elective	English Elective	English Elective

Orchestra + Athletics

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4	LOTE	LOTE	US History	Government/Economics
5	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra
6	English Elective	English Elective	English Elective	English Elective
7	Athletics	Athletics	Athletics	Athletics

- Excluded from plan: World Geography or World History
 - Select one option:
 - Take Spanish I in 8th Grade (two years of LOTE no longer needed above)
 - Take online or summer school for World Geography or World History

Multidisciplinary 2: AP and/or Dual Credit*

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4	World Geography*	World History*	US History	Government/Economics
5	PE	LOTE	LOTE	Elective
6	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra	Orchestra
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7	LOTE	LOTE	Choice (not needed to graduate)	Choice (not needed to graduate)

* Students must complete four AP or Dual Credit courses.