CVHS VAPA - Visual Arts & Performance Arts

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Re: VAPA Information for Incoming 9th Grade Students and their Parents

DANCE

- **Beginning Modern Dance** is open to all for enrollment **(non-audition)**
- Your child would need to tell their counselors they want dance instead of PE.
- Your child is encouraged to come to the audition as they may be placed in a higher-level class.
- Students will purchase costumes during the semester.
- There is a fundraising requirement each semester.
- Students who want to be in Intermediate and Advanced Dance need to attend the audition. It will be on April 5th , 3pm in the North Gym (upstairs) at CVHS. Bring dance clothes.

THEATER

Auditions only for performance groups. The groups are described below:

- **Drama 1-2** (Introductory Theater) is a non-audition class. All incoming 9th grade students register this class.
- **Stage Arts 1- 2** is a non-audition class. Incoming 9th graders are welcome to register.
- **Drama 3-4, Drama 5-6, Drama 7-8** are Intermediate and advanced groups - **audition required.**
- **Drama Production** is an advanced class for directors, after-school performance group – **audition is required.**
- Audition will take place at Rosemont in April. Please check with your middle school theater teacher for the Audition date. During the audition, students are to present a memorized monologue, no more than a minute in length.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

- **Marching Band (Fall)/Concert Band (Spring)** – PE credit for Marching Band & Color Guard (zero period)
- **Wind Ensemble and Orchestra – non audition**
- **Symphony Orchestra – audition required.**
- **Jazz Band** – open to 10, 11, 12 graders only **audition required**.
- Audition will be in April at Rosemont middle school.
- There is a summer commitment for Marching Band Camp, Percussionists, and Color Guard. Dates tentative per GUSD calendar, usually around late July to early August.
- More information about each class and audition are available online at www.falconmusic.org or email Mathew Schick (mschick@gusd.net)

CHORAL MUSIC

- **Mix Chorus (Men's Ensemble)** beginning men's chorus. Open to all grade levels. No audition required. No prior experience necessary.
- **Glee (Women Ensemble)** beginning women's chorus. Open to all grade levels. No audition required. No prior experience necessary.
- **A Cappella Choir (Concert Choir)** Intermediate mixed (men and women) chorus. Open to students in grades 10 -12 except by audition. In most cases, one year of choir experience is required. **Audition required**.
- **Chamber Choir (Charismatics).** Open to advanced choir students in grades 11 – 12 except by audition. In most cases, at least two years of choir experience at the high school level are required. **Audition and call back required.**
- Only Chamber Choir (advanced level) require summer commitment to learn a binder of Christmas carols on their own.
- Please contact Mr. Shannon Mack (smack@gusd.net) if you wish to setup an audition. The audition time for choir is in the month of March. Remember, you **DO NOT** need to audition to sing in Mix Chorus and Glee.

ART

- **ART 1-2, DESIGN 1-2** is open to all for enrollment.
- If you child has taken an art class in middle school, he or she is encouraged to contact a high school art teacher to present their artwork/art portfolio as they may be placed in a higher-level class.
- Please contact Ricky Ngai (rngai@gusd.net) to schedule an appointment for reviewing your child's art portfolio.

Overview of VAPA Audition and tentative dates

	Dance	Theater	Instrumental	Choral	Art
Audition for advanced levels	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (review portfolio)
Audition Dates	April	April	April	March	April and May
Summer Commitment only for Advanced Levels	No	No	Yes for (Band Camp, percussionists, Color Guard)	Yes for Chamber Choir (Charismatics)	No

Need more information?

You can also contact any VAPA teachers through their email posted on CVHS faculty website. (www.cvhsfalcons.com)