



Aiken Performing Arts Academy

Music

354900CW Intro to Chorus I CP

Prerequisite: Interest in singing
1/2 Unit

Description: This is a beginning course open to students with a sincere interest in singing. This course covers music theory, basic terminology and performance techniques. **All chorus students are required to participate in performance in order to receive credit.**

354910CW Intermediate Chorus CP

Prerequisite: Teacher approval
1/2 Unit

Description: This is a continuation of the foundation developed in Chorus I. Students will be expected to explore the concepts of music such as harmony, form, tempo, dynamics and sight - singing. Students will be required to participate in local as well as state - wide contests in solo and ensemble groupings. Emphasis will be placed on aesthetic perception, creative expression, aesthetic valuing and musical heritage. **Students are required to participate in performances in order to receive credit.**

354930 Advanced Chorus

Prerequisite: Teacher approval
1/2 Unit

Description: These advanced courses for students who have learned to sight-read music for mastery of harmony and voice part. Students will continue to develop music theory skills as well as performance skills. This is a performing group. Students will participate in local, state, and in-school performances and any other performances at the director's discretion. To develop the musical level of maturity through ensemble experience is a priority in this course. **Students are required to participate in performances in order to receive credit.**

454510CH Instrument Instruction

Prerequisite: Teacher approval
1/2 Unit

Description: This course is designed for students who wish to play a tuned percussion instrument. Students will explore theory as well as technology as they master these skills. There is much individualized instruction

in this course so dedication and practice is a must. Upon completion of this course, students will be able to compose, analyze, compare and contrast music from a variety of styles and periods.

454520CH Instrument Instruction II

Prerequisite: Students must be recommended
1/2 Unit

Description: A continuation of Instrumental Instruction I. It offers beginners a continuation of music theory and the mechanics of playing their instruments. It concentrates on performance etiquette and technique. Performance participation is required.

454530CH Jazz Ensemble I

Prerequisite: Students must be recommended
1/2 Unit

Description: This course offers more advanced musicians a foundation in Jazz and improvisation. It concentrates on performance etiquette and technique, as well as introducing foundations of composition. Performances are required.

454540CH Jazz Ensemble II

Prerequisite: Must have completed Jazz I
1/2 Unit

Description: A continuation of Jazz Ensemble I with an emphasis on solo improvisation and composition. Performance is required.

452000CH Lyrics & Songwriting

Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation
1/2 Unit

Description: This course is devoted to the development of a student's ability to write and produce a song or instrumental for the spring production. Students will be taught the fundamentals and will use their talent to develop the song.