

GCS High School Concentrations Arts Education

Four units needed to complete concentrations. Concentrations are not required for graduation by GCS but are recommended.

Music – Instrumental - Band Concentration

Level	Course	Prerequisites
1	Concert Band I	None
2	Concert Band II*	Concert Band I
3	Advanced Band*	Concert Band II and/or audition
4	Band/Wind or Honors Band/Wind	Advanced Band and/or audition

Music – Instrumental – Band Enrichment**

Course	Prerequisites
Jazz Band	Audition
Music Theory	None
AP Music Theory	Music Assessment/Teacher Approval
IB Music Perspectives (selected schools)	Music Assessment/Teacher Approval
Orchestra Courses	Music Assessment/Teacher Approval

**Students who have passed Concert Band I or Concert Band II may audition and enter Advanced Band and/or Band/Wind or Honors Band/Wind at the discretion of the teacher and guidance counselor.*

***Instrumental Music (Band) students may enroll in band enrichment in addition to ensemble courses if schedule permits.*

Music – Instrumental – Orchestra Concentration

Level	Course	Prerequisites
1	Orchestra I	None
2	Orchestra II*	Orchestra I
3	Orchestra III or Honors Orchestra	Orchestra II or audition
4	Orchestra IV or Honors Orchestra	Orchestra III and/or audition

Music – Instrumental – Orchestra Enrichment**

Course	Prerequisites
Jazz Band	Audition
Music Theory	None
AP Music Theory	Music Assessment/Teacher Approval
IB Music Perspectives (selected schools)	Music Assessment/Teacher Approval
Band courses	Music Assessment/Teacher Approval

****Students who have passed Orchestra I or Orchestra II may audition and enter Orchestra III or Honors Orchestra at the discretion of the teacher and guidance counselor.***

*****Instrumental Music (Orchestra) students may enroll in orchestra enrichment in addition to ensemble courses if schedule permits.***

Music – Vocal – Chorus Concentration

Level	Course	Prerequisites
1	Mixed Chorus and/or Women's Chorus*	None (MC) Audition (WC)
2	Advanced Chorus and/or Women's Chorus and/or Concert Choir*	Audition
3	Concert Choir and/or Vocal Ensemble or Honors Vocal Ensemble*	Audition
4	Vocal Ensemble or Honors Vocal Ensemble*	Audition

Music – Vocal – Chorus Enrichment*

Course	Prerequisite
Music Theory	None
AP Music Theory	Music Assessment/Teacher Approval
IB Music Perspectives (selected schools)	Music Assessment/Teacher Approval

****There are multiple choral classes which may be utilized at the different grade levels. Those choral ensemble courses not taken by students in the concentration may take them as chorus enrichment.***

Music – Guitar Concentration

Schedule	Course	Prerequisites
Year 1	Studio Guitar	None
Year 2	Studio Guitar	None
Year 3	Advanced Studio Guitar	Studio Guitar/Teacher Approval/Audition
Year 4	Advanced Studio Guitar	Studio Guitar/Teacher Approval/Audition

Music – Guitar Enrichment*

Course	Prerequisites
Jazz Band	None
Music Theory	None
AP Music Theory	Music Assessment/Teacher Approval
IB Music Perspectives (selected schools)	Music Assessment/Teacher Approval

**Enrichment courses may be taken in conjunction with concentration*

Dance Concentration

Level	Course	Prerequisites
1	Dance I*	None
2	Dance II*	Dance I and audition
3	Advanced Dance*	Dance II and audition
4	Honors Advanced Dance	Advanced Dance and audition

Dance - Enrichment

Course	Prerequisites
Ballet I*	None
Ballet II*	Ballet I and audition
Modern Dance I*	None
Modern Dance II*	Modern Dance I and audition
Honors Modern Dance*	Modern Dance II and audition
Tap I	None

**Dance enrichment courses may be taken in lieu of levels 1-3 of dance concentration courses.*

Drama Concentration (Module One)

Level	Course	Prerequisites
1	Drama I	None
2	Drama II	Drama I
3	Drama III	Drama II
4	Drama Production or Drama IV	Drama III

Drama Concentration (Module Two)

Level	Course	Prerequisite
1	Drama I	None
2	Advanced Theater	Drama I and audition
3	Honors Advanced Theater I with Lab	Advanced Theater and audition
4	Honors Advanced Theater II with Lab or IB Theater Arts (selected schools)	Honors I and audition

Drama Enrichment

Course	Prerequisites
Media Performance (selected schools)	None

Visual Art Concentration

Level	Course	Prerequisite
1	Art I	None
2	Art II	Art I/Teacher Approval
3	Art III	Art II/Teacher Approval
4	Art IV or Honors Art IV or AP Art Course	Art III and Teacher Approval and/or portfolio

AP Selections

Course	Pre-/Co-requisites
AP Art 2-D Design Portfolio	Pre- Art I, II, III Co- Art/2D Lab
AP Art 3-D Design Portfolio	Pre- Art I, II, III Co- Art/3D Lab
AP Art Drawing Portfolio	Pre- Portfolio Assessment/Art III Co- Art/Drawing Lab
AP Art History	Teacher Approval

IB Art Selections

Course	Pre-/Co-requisites
Art/Design	Must be planning to enroll in IB program
IB Art/Design SL	Co- Studio Art Lab
IB Art/Design HL	Pre-IB Art/Design SL

Computer Graphics Concentration

Level	Course	Prerequisites
1	Computer Graphics 1	None
2	Computer Graphics 2	Computer Graphics 1
3	Computer Graphics 3	Computer Graphics 2
4	Art Enrichment	Various

Photographic Design Concentration

Level	Course	Prerequisites
1	Photographic Design 1	None
2	Photographic Design 2	PD 1
3	Photographic Design 3	PD 2
4	Art Enrichment	Various