Olathe South Band Enrollment Guide

The district has changed some things related to enrollment in Band classes at the high schools and we wanted to provide some guidance to help students make sure they were enrolling correctly. Please use the information below to help you through the online process. At this time, we believe the online enrollment through StudentVue will have the correct course numbers and credits.

Students in Grade 9: 1 credit of Band
- All students in grade 9 should enroll in PA500 Concert Band. Students that choose to audition for placement in Marching Band & Symphonic Band/Wind Ensemble will have their enrollment corrected after the audition results are posted.

Students in Grade 9: Jazz Band
- All students must audition for the jazz classes, but we have a jazz class for everyone as long as they meet some minimum music reading ability. Students should let Mr. Coughlin know they are interested and then arrange to submit a recording or do a live audition material prior to Spring Break. A list of students will then be provided to the OSHS counselors and students' schedules will be adjusted. At this time, we do not believe it is possible for incoming freshman students to enroll in the jazz classes on their own using StudentVue...so it is important they communicate with Mr. Coughlin

Students in Grades 10-12: 1 credit of Band with Marching Band
- All students in grades 10-12 that are applying for placement in the Falcon Regiment marching band should enroll in PA510 Marching Band. This will put students in first hour for first semester. We will still divide into Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble within first hour after marching season, but this is the course name.
- Unless a senior is graduating early, every student in grades 10-12 should also be enrolled in either PA515 Symphonic Band OR PA520 Wind Ensemble. These are the courses for second semester.

Students in Grades 10-12: 1 credit of Band without Marching Band
- Students in grades 10-12 not applying for placement in Marching Band should enroll in PA500 Concert Band for .5 credits
- Unless a senior is graduating early, every student in grades 10-12 should also be enrolled in either PA515 Symphonic Band OR a second .5 credit of PA500 Concert Band. These are the courses for second semester.

Jazz Band classes: .5 or 1 credit
- All students must complete an audition with Mr. Coughlin prior to Spring Break of the prior year. Students may put down one .5 credit of PA530 Jazz Band in the online enrollment prior to auditioning...lists provided to the counselors in April will put students in the correct semester based on their class placement. Students selected to the Falcon Jazz Ensemble (second semester) may also be in the first semester class and can put two .5 credits (1.0 total) sections of PA530 Jazz Band in their schedule.

AP Music Theory: .5 or 1 credit
This class is intended primarily for seniors and some juniors that have a strong grasp of music notation fundamentals. Students may enroll in PA450 AP Music Theory for either .5 credit (first semester “Theory I”) or 1 full credit (both semesters).

Independent Study Options
We offer some options for students with room in their schedule that want to pursue additional opportunities in music.
- Students in grades 10-12 may enroll in a .5 section of PA520 Wind Ensemble that will meet first semester during second hour, but they will need to complete an application with Mr. Coughlin. This means students who are also in Wind Ensemble second semester will have two .5 sections of PA520 Wind Ensemble on their enrollment.
- Seniors may enroll in PA900 Fine & Performing Arts Senior Independent Study. This may be “nested” in any hour Mr. Coughlin has a class (hours 1, 2, 3, 5 or 6).
Please see the 2nd page for a summary of course enrollment combinations

For the situations listed below, you should be enrolled in the courses listed underneath each…

If you are an incoming freshman…
1 credit  PA500 Concert Band (A/B)

If you are applying to be in Marching Band…
and Symphonic Band…  and Wind Ensemble…
  .5 credit  PA510 Marching Band (A)
  .5 credit  PA515 Symphonic Band (B)
  .5 credit  PA510 Marching Band (A)
  .5 credit  PA520 Wind Ensemble (B)

If you are in grades 10-12 and not applying to be in Marching Band…
  .5 credit  PA510 Concert Band (A)
  .5 credit  PA515 Symphonic Band (B)  OR another .5 credit of PA510 Concert Band (B)

If you are enrolling in .5 credit of Jazz…
  .5 credit  PA530 Jazz Band
  1 credit of regular band (A/B)*
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  * you must be concurrently enrolled in a band or orchestra class to enroll in a jazz class

If you want to be in 2nd hour, first semester…
Complete application with Mr. Coughlin
  .5 credit  PA520 Wind Ensemble
  1 credit of regular band (A/B)

If you want to enroll in Senior Independent Study…
  .5 or 1 credit  PA900 F&P Arts Senior Independent Study
  1 credit of regular band (A/B)

“Regular Band” means you have 1 full credit combination of…
PA500 Concert Band
PA510 Marching Band & PA515 Symphonic Band
PA510 Marching Band & PA520 Wind Ensemble
PA500 Concert Band (.5) and PA515 Symphonic Band (.5)
Any other combination must be approved and signed off by Mr. Coughlin