

## Suggested Four-Year Plan with YEAR-LONG Band Course Selection

Dedication to a specific course of study, i.e. music, looks very favorable to college application committees. Selecting a course plan that demonstrates passion in a specific area, whether it is arts, sciences, languages, helps to paint a more complete picture of the individual applicant.

Musicians demonstrate the ability to concentrate, to think creatively, to follow through, to work well as a team, and to manage their time. Application committees understand the added requirements of practice, concert attendance, private lessons, etc. and look very favorably on student musicians. SDA musicians have been accepted to UC Berkeley, UCLA, UCSD, USC, Purdue, Tulane, NYU and many more selective universities, where they pursue studies in a variety of different majors.

### 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

1 <sup>st</sup> Term	2 <sup>nd</sup> Term
Symphonic Band or Wind Ensemble	Symphonic Band or Wind Ensemble
Science	Year 1 PE
English (college prep or honors)	Math (college prep or honors)
World Language	World Language

### 10<sup>th</sup> Grade

1 <sup>st</sup> Term	2 <sup>nd</sup> Term
Symphonic Band or Wind Ensemble	Symphonic Band or Wind Ensemble
Science	English (college prep or honors)
World History (college prep or AP)	Math (college prep or honors/AP)
World Language	Academic elective or PE elective*

### 11<sup>th</sup> Grade

1 <sup>st</sup> Term	2 <sup>nd</sup> Term
Symphonic Band or Wind Ensemble	Symphonic Band or Wind Ensemble
Science	English (college prep or AP)
US History (college prep or AP)	Math (college prep or honors/AP)
Academic elective or PE elective*	Academic elective or PE elective*

### 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

1 <sup>st</sup> Term	2 <sup>nd</sup> Term
Symphonic Band or Wind Ensemble	Symphonic Band or Wind Ensemble
Government/Economics (college prep or AP)	Practical Art
English (college prep or AP)	Elective or Math
Academic elective or PE elective*	Academic elective or PE elective*

\* Students must take 20 credits PE and pass the State Health curriculum to meet graduation requirements.  
Year One PE satisfies the state Health requirement.

NOTE: For highly competitive universities, consider taking a Math, Science, and World Language course during each calendar year.

