



Robert E. Fitch High School MUSIC ELECTIVES 2019 - 2020

“Without music, life would be a mistake.” — Friedrich Nietzsche



The Fitch Falcon Marching Band **(.5 Credit)**

Do you have a desire to perform? Do you want to create amazing visual and musical performances for thousands of people? Then be apart of one of the biggest teams at Fitch! The Fitch Falcon Marching Band competes all across Connecticut in the fall and prides itself in earning three New England States Championships in the past four years. The band welcomes all students who play wind and percussion instruments. Anyone looking to learn a new skill can join the Color Guard or Front Ensemble. Be a part of the success and Join us for our 2018 Fall Competitive Season! *Check the band website for registration information!*



Concert Band (1 Credit)

Do you currently play a band instrument? If so, then continue to perform and make great music at the high school level! Experience all of the different styles of music, further develop your skills, perform with guest artists, travel and share your passion for music with others!



Honors Jazz Ensemble (1 Credit)

Swing, funk, Latin, Rock, Blues! Experience all of these styles with improvisation at the heart of it all! Discover the jazz greats and elements of jazz in this award winning ensemble. Members of the group perform many concerts throughout the year, attend Jazz Festivals, and perform with guest artists! *This is an auditioned group. Please contact Mr. Lefebvre for all audition requirements.*

Contact Information

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Music Theory I (1 Credit)

Ever wonder how music works? This class dives into this very question as students learn how to read &

write music, understand the elements of music, and develop the basic tools needed for musical analysis.

AP Music Theory (1 Credit)

Want to dive deeper into the inner workings of music? If so, then you want to take AP Theory. This class will apply topics from Theory I to further explore music from different periods in history. Students will develop the skills needed to analyze and write classical music. Students will also develop sight singing skills. *Prerequisite: Theory I or by permission of instructor.*

Concert Chorus (1 Credit)

Love to sing? Want to improve your vocal



range and sing with more power? The FHS Concert Chorus accepts students of all abilities. Come explore your voice while singing great music- new and old, American and from around the world. This, plus the opportunity to travel, sing in choral competitions, become part of our Carolers, and create life-long high school memories.

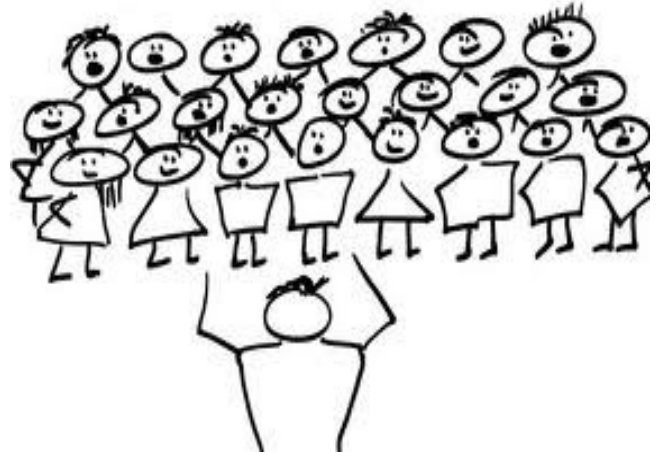
"Life is a song. Love is the music."-Author Unknown

Honors Women's Choir (1 Credit)

Come feel the power of singing in a women's choir! It is a beautiful sound. Learn breath control and expand your vocal range while singing gorgeous harmonies and songs from around the world. A great experience and an awesome group! *Enrollment is by audition (it's painless), so please contact Mr. Frascarelli or look for info outside 2417.*

"Words make you think. Music makes you feel. A song makes you feel a thought."

— Yip Harburg, lyricist



Honors Chamber Choir (1 Credit)

Love to sing a cappella music? Want the challenge of singing in a small, select, expressive choir for young men and women? Audition for the FHS Chamber Choir and become part of a respected, talented and fun group! *This audition-only group is for outstanding musicians grades 9 -12. Please see Mr. Frascarelli for audition info.*

"The best advice I can give a young aspiring singer is not to become an old aspiring singer."

— Renata Scotto, Opera Singer



String Orchestra/Honors String Orchestra (1 Credit)

Calling all violinists, violists, cellists and bassists! Perform in FHS's String Orchestra! Continue studying these beautiful instruments while playing great music in high school. Expand your knowledge of scales, rhythm and string techniques to take with you beyond high school.



Guitar 1 (1 Credit)

Always wanted to learn how to play the guitar? This class is for you! Already know a few chords? Have never held a guitar?— you are welcome here! Learn classic songs, power chords, finger picking and theory basics. Owning your own instrument is important and *required*! It doesn't have to be expensive, just good enough to learn comfortably. Perform in class bands at the end of the semester.

Everyone's got their own character, and that's the thing that's amazed me about guitar playing since the day I first picked it up. -Jimmy Page

Guitar 2 (1 Credit)

Continue your studies on the guitar. Expand your chord knowledge, improve your scales, solos and take on guitar projects of your choosing. Get more comfortable with hammers, pull-offs, slides and double stops. *Prerequisite: Guitar 1 or by permission of Mr. Frascarelli. Contact him with questions.*



Percussion (1 Credit)

This class is open to all percussionists who want to continue their musical development and are looking to make music with other percussionists! Refine your skills and learn different percussion instruments while being a part of a percussion ensemble. This class will also perform with the Concert Band



History of Rock (1 Credit)

Michael Jackson, The Who, The Beatles, Led Zeppelin! These are just some of the artists discovered in Rock History. Learn about the evolution of Rock through the music of it's most influential performers. Discover how the many events through American history have impacted the music that we all know!