

Northwestern School Corporation
Music Curriculum
Course Outline
High School Jazz Ensemble

The following is an outline of activities and experiences students will have throughout their year in High School Jazz Band. All known and curricular performances are required, and are highlighted in **bold text**. It should be noted that the Jazz Band performs many 'extra' community concerts that occur throughout the year, and are frequently asked to do so by local community leaders and businesses. These events are not listed here.

AUGUST

Pass out initial folder of music
Pass out scale sheets and technique exercises
Create warm-up routine

SEPTEMBER

Daily rehearsal of jazz charts
Introduction to jazz improvisation
Learn Blues Scale

OCTOBER

Daily rehearsal of jazz charts

NOVEMBER

Daily rehearsal of jazz charts
Select music for Christmas Concert
We Care Concert

DECEMBER

Final rehearsal of music for Christmas Concert
Christmas Concert
Blues Scale performance test

JANUARY

Select music for Jazz Contest/Festival
Daily rehearsal of jazz charts
Learn ii-V-I scale progression

FEBRUARY

Daily rehearsal of jazz charts
Ball State Jazz Festival

MARCH

Daily rehearsal of jazz charts

ISSMA Jazz Contest

Recruiting Performance for 6th Grade Students

APRIL

Daily rehearsal of jazz charts

Select music for Spring Concert

MAY

Daily rehearsal of spring concert music

Spring Band Concert

ii-V-I scale progression performance test