



## UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL

# Music

The study and performance of music is an integral part of education at the Laboratory Schools. From Nursery School through High School, Lab students experience music in a variety of ways. Music plays a vital role in the educational lives of our students and provides a gateway through which they learn different eras, cultures and emotions. Music literacy and knowledge give students another way in which to understand the world, both past and present.

The study of music through performance provides benefits above and beyond the immediate musical exercise, composition, or performance. Singing and playing have been proven to provide significant benefits to brain growth and development in people of all ages, especially children. Music performance and study enable us to be more creative and better able to envision multiple perspectives and solutions.

Students at University High have many avenues available in which to pursue their passion for music. The music department offers performing ensembles, non-performing classes, and the opportunity to self-design an Independent Study. Once a student fulfills the required music credit, they are encouraged to remain in their respective ensemble as well as explore elective courses.

### Courses in Music

- Concert Band
- Concert Choir
- U-High Orchestra
- Explorations in Music
- Music History
- Digital Music Production

### Music Electives

- Acoustic Guitar
- Bel Canto
- Chamber Collective
- Digital Music Production II
- Evolution of African American Music Traditions
- Jazz Ensemble
- Music Theory for the 21st Century Musician
- Recording Studio Musicianship
- Symphony Orchestra
- Independent Study in Music