Ponaganset High School

Start here. Go Big!

Music Performance and Education



Why Study Music Performance?

Our Music Performance program, develops innovative students with world-ready experience and meaningful performance expertise.

Discover your passion and find your purpose at Ponaganset

in the classroom, in student organizations, and experiential learning opportunities. The Music Performance program offers handson, relevant, and rigorous instruction to students interested in pursuing careers in music or music education

Immerse yourself in real-world learning experiences

and earn 80 work-based learning hours. Students must complete 80 hours during their four years. These hours are earned through industry projects, service learning, internships, and community based partnerships.

Over 60 years of musical excellence



Enhance your leadership skills

by becoming a member of
National Technical Honor Society.
Students are inducted in the fall of
their senior year. Candidates must
be enrolled in the Music
Performance Program all four
years and meet GPA requirements.
Click here for more details.

Derek Sabatini

Music Performance Program Instructor CTE Program Facilitator/Music Director



Jonathan Medeiros

Music Teacher Program Instructor



James Mullen, MM Ed.

Band Director Program Instructor



Four-Year path to success (click here for more details)

	Music Performance / Music Education Program						
	Band		Chorus		Music History		Music Theory
	Concert Band I		Chorus I				Music Theory I
Year 1	Instrumental Ensemble Honors I	OR	Vocal Ensemble Honors I			&	.5 credit
	1 credit		1 credit				Highly Recommended
	Concert Band II		Chorus II				Music Theory II
Year 2	Instrumental Ensemble Honors II	OR	Vocal Ensemble Honors II	&	EEP Music History I	&	.5 credit
	1 credit		1 credit		.5 credit		Optional
	Concert Band III		Chorus III		EEP Music History II		
Year 3	Instrumental Ensemble Honors III	OR	Vocal Ensemble Honors III	&	.5 credit	&	EEP/AP Music Theory
	1 credit		1 credit				1 credit
				·	*Can occur during		*Can occur during
	Concert Band IV		Chorus IV		the second, third,		the third or
Year 4	Instrumental Ensemble Honors IV	OR	Vocal Ensemble Honors IV	&	or fourth years	&	fourth year
	1 credit		1 credit				

Student Testimonials

" Playing trumpet in Wind Ensemble under the direction of Mr. Mullen, learning piano with Mr. Medeiros, and participating in a pit orchestra with Mr. Sabatini made my high school career one that every musician strives for."

Rachel K

Ponaganset Class of 23' Music Student

"As a professional musician working on my master's degree now, I am proud to have graduated from a prestigious high school music program. Ponaganset's music program encourages its students to be a part of something bigger and be the best musician they can Meg T be."

Ponaganset Class of 18' Music Student

"This will be the best decision you make in your high school career. The Performance Ed. program here will develop your character and shape your future in music.

Jack R

Ponaganset Class of 24' Music Student

"The Ponaganset Performance Education program gave me access to numerous opportunities I wouldn't have had the ability to take part in if I wasn't here, **Leah P** Just the Ponaganset Class of 26' including All-State and Ponaganset Music family sं हिस्सिनी

What sets Ponaganset's program apart?



8 College credits through the RI College EEP **Program**



Numerous performance opportunities at sate and national festivals



Accomplished and highly trained faculty with over 30 years of combined teaching experience

Additional Course Offerings

- Piano I IV
- Guitar I IV
- EEP Music History I & II
- Music Theory I IV
- AP Music Theory

*Click here for a full list of course offerings

Related Occupations

Post Secondary Careers

Vocal Musician Instrumental Musician Church Musician Wedding Band Musician Private Study Instrumental or Vocal Musician

Occupations Requiring Baccalaureate Degree

Musician in one of the Armed Forces Composer/Arranger

Music Director Music Teacher - Pre-Kindergarten through High School

Music Entrepreneur

Arts Management Conductor Music Therapist

Private Study Instrumental or Vocal Musician

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