# **Choosing a Grade Nine Music Course**

Choosing Music in grade nine opens the doors to a dynamic and fulfilling program where students become part of a performing group and have the opportunity to join other musical ensembles.

Students may also participate in extended trips and excursions. Recent music trips have included Chicago in 2010 and Ottawa in 2012. One-day excursions have included attending performances of The Producers, The Lion King, and Mamma Mia. Woburn's ensembles annually compete in the Ontario Vocal Festival, the Ontario Band Association Festival, regularly winning awards and scholarships.

For more information, please visit www.woburnmusic.org

# **Vocal Music: AMV 101 Concert Choir**

This course is for students who enjoy singing and wish to develop their singing skills. This course requires <u>no</u> previous musical experience, although any previous knowledge or experience will be of great benefit. The course focuses on vocal technique, choral singing and music reading. Students are expected to be part of the Concert Choir who rehearse once a week after school from 3:20pm until 4:45pm. This course prepares students to take grade 10 Vocal Music where students continue in the Concert Choir and possibly audition for the Madrigal Choir.

# Instrumental Music: AMI 102 <u>Beginners</u>

This course is designed for students who have had <u>less than two years</u>, or <u>no previous instrumental music</u> experience and will start at the beginning of instrument playing and music reading. Students will rehearse once a week after school from 3:20pm until 4:30pm. After completing this course, students are ready to take Grade 10 Music and enter the Wind Ensemble. Students who have studied music privately should <u>not</u> take this course, but should take AMI 101 (below).

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This course is for students who have had two or more years (usually grades 7 & 8) of experience on a band instrument. The student will usually continue playing the instrument played previously. Students in this course will be expected to attend rehearsal one afternoon each week from 3:20pm to 4:30pm.

This course is preparation for Grade 10 Enriched Music and entry into the Wind Ensemble.

### Instrumental Music: AMI 106 Gifted

This course is for students who have had <u>two or more years</u> of experience on a band instrument and are in Woburn's gifted program. The student will continue playing the instrument played previously. Students in this course will be expected to participate in one rehearsal each week on 3:20pm until 4:30pm. This course is preparation for Grade 10 Gifted Music and entry into the Wind Ensemble.

It is important for success that instrumental students choose the appropriate course for their ability, as evaluations are matched to level. If you have any questions please call Mr. B. Farrow, ACL Arts, 416-396-4575.