

Grading Policies:

Practice Checklist–20%

- Each week the student will have a new practice checklist that requires a parent signature and is to be turned in the following Monday.
- This checklist will guide the student in the fundamental skills that have been practiced in class and should be practiced at home.
- The checklist will also guide the student in different ways to practice applying the fundamental skills they have learned.

Performances / Rehearsal Attendance–20%

- Participation in and attendance of all band concerts is mandatory (see band calendar for dates).
- Students must participate in their portion of the concert
- Students must stay for their peers' portion of the concert
- In order to receive credit, students must be in concert dress:
 - Females: Black dress; presentable jewelry acceptable
 - Males: Black tuxedo with bow tie
- Students are required attend all required after and before school sectionals and full band rehearsals

Absence Policy

In the event that a conflict should arise where a student must miss a performance, a signed parent note must be submitted in advance and approved by a director.

Documentation in the case of sickness must be presented.

Playing Assessments / Pass - Off 's/ Tests – 30%

- Students will be required to pass off a list of items on a weekly basis.
- All pass-off material will come from the performance material or fundamentals.
- Students will pass off all materials in class
- See Attached rubric for pass off grading scale

Written Assessments / Class Participation – 10%

- Students will be assigned in and out of class writing assessments that must be returned on the specified due dates.
- The written assessments will require the students to demonstrate and apply what has been learned in class.
- Assignments turned in late will be assigned a lower grade for each day they are late.

- On any given day the teacher can give students a grade on whether they have their materials in class.
- Students will have one class participation grade in a single grading period and will lose a point for every day they don't participate.
 - A student who is participates:
 - Plays when it is their time to play
 - Raises hand to answer questions or make comments
 - Brings all materials to class (music, pencil, reeds, maintenance materials, sticks, mallets, etc.)

Binder 20%

All students will have a binder that is checked at the end of every six weeks. The Binder will be given 2 grades: Organization, and Contents of the Binder.

- Organization
 - The binder must have a cover labeling it as the students band binder with their name on it.
 - The binder must have five tabs
- Content
 - Music (Exercises, warm ups, music)
 - Playing Assessments
 - Written Assessments
 - Practice Checklists
 - Handouts (alternate fingerings, trill fingerings, tuning tendencies, articles, etc.)