

Course Syllabus: Band V Honors

Logistics

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Location: Band Room 325

Course Overview

This class serves to prepare fine arts music academy students for a successful start in their after high school endeavors. Students will study skills necessary for life in a fine arts profession. There will be opportunities to play for professional musicians as well as have master classes with those in the profession.

Course Content

In Band V Honors we focus on the following:

- personal playing abilities
- personal practice skills
- performance anxiety tactics
- basic piano skills
- self-promotion
- professional communication
- beginning and finishing a creative project
- collaboration

As well as other topics that students show an interest in throughout the year.

The core topics have been chosen carefully to produce a well-rounded education that prepares the students to be successful in all aspects of being a musician.

Methodology

Band students will be instructed in a variety of methods, including, but not limited to:

- class discussion
- private lessons
- group work & group presentations
- individual work & individual presentations

Grading

- 10% Total
 - Bellringer
 - Class participation (active role in all class activities, cooperation with teacher and peers, adherence to all class policies in the students contract)
 - In class assignments (graded for participation)

*A daily grade of 10 pts will be given which consists of the following: 5pts Bellringer
5pts Class Participation
- 90% Total
 - Out of School Performance Attendance
 - Tests
 - Homework
 - In class assignments (graded for mastery)
 - Projects
 - All other work designated as an assignment by the teacher

Materials

- Section in a binder Students will need either personal folder/binder for this class or an organized section of a larger binder to keep handouts, music, notes, and assignments in.
- Pencil- NO PENS! Students must have a pencil with them every day in class.
- Instrument (either student or school provided- ask Ms. Warner for details) All students are required to have their instruments (valve oil, reeds, mallets, mutes, etc. as well) in class every day and in working order. If a student does not have their instrument on a day it is required (students will know in advance) or it is not in working order (forgot reeds, forgot mouthpiece, etc.) they will receive a 0 as their participation grade for the day.

Expectations

- personal practice time outside of class
- music and instrument ready at beginning of class
- ask for help when needed

Note from Ms. Warner:

This is a very special class for band students. I consider it an honor that you have chosen music as your academy and I look forward to mentoring you all. This class is ultimately about getting you as ready for your next steps as we can. Come to this class full of ideas, dreams, and questions. It will be an amazing year!

CONTRACT: Band V Honors

Please review the course syllabus with your parent or guardian. Review the following notes below, and then sign the document. The contract is due Tuesday August 13th.

- Students will show respect for everyone in the class. Students will address the class during discussions in a respectful manner always.
- One person talks at a time. When the teacher or a student is addressing the class, they deserve your attention, so please make every effort to respect this request.
- Students will be expected at times to work with a group. Sometimes students will be able to choose their group, other times groups will be assigned. Equal participation from all members of a group is essential to the success of the group.
- Students are expected to contribute to the atmosphere of the class in a positive manner. Calling out, making fun of others, being sarcastic or disruptive in any way will not be tolerated.
- Students are expected to turn work in a timely manner. Late work will be accepted at a penalty of 10% per school day, absences notwithstanding.
- All work will be posted on my teacher connection page. If you have trouble locating a missed assignment, it is your responsibility to ask me to help you so that you may complete missing work.

We have read the Band V Honors Student Contract and Syllabus, and understand all the rules of this class.

STUDENT'S NAME (PRINTED): _____

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

PARENT'S NAME (PRINTED): _____

PARENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

PARENT CONTACT INFORMATION (OPTIONAL): _____
