



2019-2020 JNMS Band Syllabus

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Course Materials

All students are required to have these materials at every class and rehearsal.

- Your pencil
- Your music/book
- Your instrument
- All accessories (reeds, valve oil, etc.)

Classroom Procedures

1. No food, drink, candy, or gum in the Band Hall. Water is allowed.
2. The room will be kept neat. All equipment will be returned to its storage location at the conclusion of every rehearsal or event.
3. Only band students will be allowed in the Band Hall.
4. No horse-play in the Band Hall.

Grading System

Playing Assessments

- Students will be assigned playing tests throughout the year to accurately assess their knowledge of our music.

Performance

- All performances are required. Band classes are part of the Texas Education Agency state curriculum and are governed by the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS). Included in these TEKS are performance requirements. These performances include the Christmas Concert, Spring Concert, UIL Concert and Sightreading (for 7th and 8th grade Band), and any other music festivals. Students will receive a 100 or a 0 for each performance. If a student misses a performance, a make-up opportunity will be assigned.

Participation

- Students must be present and on time to every rehearsal. Participation includes bringing the course materials, a positive attitude, and positively contributing to rehearsals/performances.

Pass-Offs

- Students will be assigned music/scales to pass-off throughout the year. Students who adequately pass-off their music on/before the due date will receive a 100. A deduction of (10pts) will be applied per-day to a pass-off which is late.

Performance Attire: Depending on the event, we will wear one of two attires: band t-shirt and jeans, or Concert Black (as will be explained to students when the need arises).