

Cedar High Reds Bands

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JV Band (Band I – Large Ensemble)

Concert Band (Band II – Large Ensemble)

Symphonic Band (Band III – Large Ensemble)

General Course Disclosure

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Reds Percussion (Band III – Percussion)

Reds Jazz Ensemble (Band III – Small Ensemble)

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

Students will learn various band literature, together in a group, as small sections/groups, and individually to develop musical skills such as tone production, dynamics, articulation, rhythm, phrasing, and expressiveness. Students will perform at concerts, festivals, school events, etc.

CEDAR HIGH SCHOOL MISSION

Cedar High is dedicated to cultivating responsible citizens through lifelong learning and community involvement.

CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS

RESPECT – Be on time, be nice, participate, listen / follow instructions, follow dress code, follow class rules.

ACCOUNTABILITY – Be on time, own your learning, be on task, complete assignments on time.

INTEGRITY – Be on time, no cheating, doing best work, best attitude, school spirit.

RESPONSIBILITY – Be on time, be prepared, be on task, complete assignments on time, attend class.

GOALS

The major goals of the Cedar High Reds Bands are to:

- provide musical enjoyment for each band member and for those who attend performances.
- strengthen students' musical skills and abilities on their specific instruments.
- increase knowledge of basic music and band fundamentals and terminology.
- increase playing ability on instruments consistent with expectations of each specific band class.
- learn to take responsibility for actions and consequences (positive and negative)
- learn respect for ourselves, others, equipment, and property.
- work together within band classes to achieve class goals, solve problems, etc.

GRADING

The Bands grading policy is explained in detail in an accompanying document called "Grading Information."

EXPECTATIONS

Students will:

- perform in all parades, concerts, and festivals applicable to their class.**
- prepare for and participate in all class activities and rehearsals through home practice and regular attendance.
- meet the Cedar High Band eligibility requirements:
 - Maintain a 2.0 cumulative GPA and no failing (F) grades.***

(** Each student has received a calendar outlining the year's activities.)

(*** Membership in Symphonic Band, Concert Band, Reds Percussion, and Reds Jazz Ensemble are contingent on maintaining eligibility per CHS, ICSD, and UHSAA guidelines)

DRESS STANDARDS

The dress standards for all band functions will be consistent with CHS / ICSD dress code.

FEES (Please make payment within the first two weeks of school.)

Participation Fee	\$50	All band students.
Instrument Rental (as needed)	\$100	One school year.
Tuxedo Rental	\$25	Men only. (Ladies will provide their own concert dress - guidelines below.)
Trips/Hotel	TBD	Varies by activity/group. Details will be provided as instances arise.
Polo	\$50	All incoming Freshmen required, others may buy a new one each year.
T-Shirt	\$15	(varies) The band t-shirt is used by Pep Band and at other functions.

CLASS EXPECTATIONS

Attendance is crucial to success in band. Each rehearsal is very important and covers important musical concepts. If a student misses class they immediately fall behind. Individual problems or emergencies can be worked out with the director. It is urgent for both the student and the director to take care of these cases immediately. The attendance policy of Cedar High School as approved by the Iron County Board of Education will be faithfully enforced.

We strive to create a fair, friendly and courteous environment. It is expected that: there will be no talking while a presentation is being given, whether by the director, a student, or a guest; there will be class discussions in which all students will be given an opportunity to participate; students will treat each other and the director with respect at all times.

All students are expected to help move band equipment when necessary for performances such as concerts, assemblies, festivals, games, etc..

"NO GHOST" POLICY

“No call / no show” absences will NOT be tolerated. Students are expected to communicate as early as is reasonable for any absences outside of regular class time, including concerts, games, parades, rehearsals, etc. A “no call / no show” will result in immediate probation.

RESPONSIBILITY / CITIZENSHIP GRADES

Citizenship	Honor	Satisfactory	Needs Improvement	Unsatisfactory
Attendances	0 Unexcused Absences	1-2 Absences	3-4 Absences	5+ Absences
Tardies	0-1 Tardies	2-4 Tardies	5-6 Tardies	7+ Tardies
PBIS: Student chooses respect, has integrity, and shows accountability and responsibility.	Student demonstrates those characteristics in the classroom environment at all times.	Student demonstrates those characteristics in the classroom environment most of the time.	Student shows disruptive behavior or lacks accountability when turning in work in a timely manner.	Students show apathy towards school work, are disrespectful to their teacher and peers, are continually off-task, and cause problems in class.
Follows School Rules: <i>Dress code, cellphones, electronic devices</i>	Dressed appropriately for the classroom at all times. Use personal electronic devices only with teacher approval.	Student is minimally reminded about dress code and/or cell phone use in the classroom. Quickly makes corrections and changes behaviors to align with expectations.	Demonstrates mild disrespect or indifference to classroom or school rules. Consistently needs to be reminded of the classroom rules.	Student has demonstrated a willful disregard for classroom/school policies and procedures.

CELL PHONES / HALL PASS

Students will follow the cell phone and hall pass policies outlined in the CHS Student Handbook and state law.

UNIFORM / DRESS

Our appearance and dress at all performances is an important factor of the overall performance. The following guidelines for concert dress are as follows:

Marching Band - White Band Polo Shirt, black pants, black shoes that can be polished, and black socks.

Symphonic / Concert / JV Band, and Percussion Ensembles - Ladies: Modest black Long dress (no prints please) black nylons, and black dress shoes. Men: Band tux and black bow tie* white dress shirt, black socks (no ankle socks) and black dress shoes. (*Will be checked out. \$25.00 Tux rental required)

Hair color for major performances must be a natural color with no neon/bright/distracting colors.

Pep Band - White Band Polo Shirt or Pep Band T- Shirt.

Reds Jazz Ensemble – Black pants, black shoes, black socks, white long-sleeve button-down shirt. Vest and tie provided.

JV Jazz - Same as Marching Band.

OTHER POLICIES

- Other than water, in a bottle with a screw-top lid, food or drink is not allowed in the band room at any time!
- Profanity or vulgar language will not be permitted. Students will be removed from the activity if occurs.
- No one has permission to handle any of the band room equipment that has not been assigned to them. If equipment is damaged because of this, the student will be expected to replace that item.

- No one has the right to move, open the case, or otherwise have access to the instruments of other band members. This is considered trespassing and will be dealt with accordingly.

INSTRUMENTS / STORAGE

Insurance coverage for musical instruments is recommended but not required. Insurance on instruments can be included with most homeowners and renters insurance. A locked storage place will be provided during school hours. A card will be provided and kept on file for each instrument containing vital information such as brand, model and serial number.

Every precaution is taken to keep instruments secure in the band storage room. However, there are times when the room is used for after school and evening activities. Instruments that are left overnight are very vulnerable. **PLEASE TAKE YOUR INSTRUMENT HOME EVERY NIGHT.** Any student caught using another student's instrument without permission will be subject to disciplinary action and / or a docking of the Citizenship grade. Students renting instruments from Cedar High School will pay a \$100.00 rental fee and sign a rental agreement.

MEDIA POLICY

We frequently listen to or watch performances and recordings of music we are playing in class. We may also occasionally use other clips that are relevant and useful to our current goals. All videos will be in accordance with ICSD and USBE media guidelines.

TRAVEL POLICY

Students will travel with the band on the bus to and from all band activities, unless otherwise specified in writing. In the event of an extreme circumstance, consideration may be granted only if it meets the guidelines set forth in the Iron County School District Extra-Curricular Activities Contract. To build camaraderie and friendships with other band members, all band members are respectfully asked to ride home on the bus and not with their parents.

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