



Welcome to STEM BAND!!!

Students should be prepared every day with their instrument, music, method book, and a pencil. Trumpet players should have valve oil. Trombone players should have slide oil/grease. Reed instruments (Clarinet / Saxophone) must have plenty of reeds throughout the year and a cleaning swab.

STEM Band Expectations

- Participate with a Positive Attitude
- Be Prepared with instrument, music, book, and pencil
- Be Respectful and Supportive

It takes the effort and participation of every student in band class to make the ensemble sound great! We respect each other and work together to create an encouraging, positive environment for music making. Work hard, be nice!

Classroom Discipline Policy

Students will follow the North Idaho STEM Charter school rules and policies.

Behavior:

Every student is expected to follow the rules set forth in the Parent/Student Handbook. With your help, we can reinforce the expectations of every student, but for students that choose to **disrupt the learning environment, be disrespectful, or unsafe** the following may occur:

- Student removed from the classroom
- Detention(s) served or other consequences as deemed appropriate
- In some cases, sent to Administration
- A "Pink Slip" will be sent home as a method of communication to inform you of the incident
- Repeated or extreme behavior will result in escalating consequences that may include but are not limited to suspension or expulsion.

Grading for Secondary Classes and 6th Grade - please refer to Syllabus

Grading for 5th Grade is as follows:

- 50% Daily Work (Participation Points) - 5 pts/week
 - being prepared (Bring Instrument, Music, and a Pencil)
 - and being an active participant in class
- 10% Classwork/Written Assignments (including practice logs)
- 25% Tests (playing and written)
- 15% Final Exam/Performances

***Concert attendance is mandatory. Concerts are an important assessment of musical skills and a culmination of our hard work and preparation in class.**

****Learning an instrument is hard work. It takes dedication and commitment to become proficient on a musical instrument. I recommend 15-20 minutes of practice time at least 5 days a week.**

Practicing is your child's homework in band and it is an important part of learning music.

Practice a reasonable amount of time to learn the part and grow as a musician
(I recommend 60+ minutes a week)

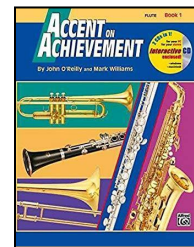
- Aim for 15-20 mins per day - consistency is key!!!

STEM Band Method Book Requirements:

Entering 5th Grade:

Accent on Achievement Book 1 (blue)

**Please make sure to find the book for the instrument you are playing*



Entering 6th / 7th / or 8th Grade Concert Band

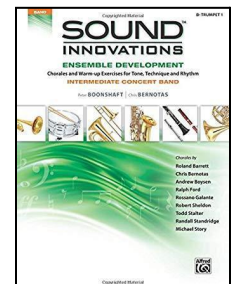
Sound Innovations for Concert Band book 2 (RED)

**Make sure to get the book for the instrument you are playing*

High School Band (8th, 9th -12th):

Sound Innovations Ensemble Development (GREEN)
For Intermediate ConcertBand

**Clarinet, Trumpet and Alto books
- please choose part 1 OR part 2
(no need to have both)*



Please contact me at any time!

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