



Central Hardin High School Band Syllabus

Items needed for all Band Classes:

- Black 1" 3-ring binder
- Pencils
- Metronome
 - o Can be a standalone portable metronome such as a [Korg brand](#)
 - o Metronome App such as "Tonal Energy" or "Tempo" brand app
- Quality Band Instrument
 - o Personally owned instruments must be of approved brands and quality
 - o A limited supply of school owned instruments are available for student use. These are typically for the larger more expensive instruments such as low reed, low brass and large percussion. Students and parents must complete the usage agreement for any school owned instrument.
 - o Students are responsible for the maintenance and cleanliness of their instruments. Repairs must be taken care of in a timely manner.
 - o Not all instrument manufacturers create good quality instruments that are designed for use in band classes. There are some brands that are good for performance in band class. Mr. Centers will discuss approved instruments in class.
- All band students must complete the [Emergency Medical Release Form](#) found online at the band's website. A paper copy is available if you need one. This form is required by the school for band trips.

Items for Specific Instruments:

Flutes:

- Cleaning rod and cleaning swab (recommended – silk cleaning swab)
- Padgaurd or Pad Saver ([such as the RICO Padguard](#))
- Tuner (stand alone or phone app such as Tonal Energy)

Single Reeds: (Clarinet & Saxophone)

- Padgaurd or Pad Saver (such as [the Rico](#) or [H.W. Pad-saver](#))
- Cleaning swab
- Minimum of 5 quality real cane reeds
- 1 Legere Reed (for marching band members)
- Tuner (stand alone or phone app such as Tonal Energy)
- Cork Grease

Double Reeds: (oboe & bassoon)

- [Cleaning Swab – recommend silk swab](#)
- Tuner (stand alone or phone app such as Tonal Energy)
- 3 quality real cane reeds
- Cork Grease

Brass:

- [Valve Oil](#)
- [Slide Grease](#)
- [Brass instrument Snake \(appropriate size for your instrument\). These can be purchased separately or as part of a instrument care kit](#)
- [Mouthpiece brush](#) (can be purchased in a instrument care kit)
- [Brass instrument BERP](#) (for specific instrument to match size)
- Polish cloth (make sure it is for silver or brass depending on instrument)

Percussion:

- Approved Practice 12” Pad (EX: Reel Feel 12” Pad or Vic Firth 12” Pad)
- Snare Drum Stand (height appropriate for standing to play)
- Concert Snare Drum Sticks (recommended: IP-CLO1 Chris Lamb model)

Concert Attire:

OPTION 1 – Black Dress Pants, Black Button Down Shirt, ALL Black Dress Socks, ALL Black Dress Shoes

Students will supply their own shoes, socks, black button down dress shirt

OPTION 2 – ALL Black full length dress (here is an example: Formal Fashions [Dress Style: 5833XR-E \(in all black\)*](#)) with all black, closed toe shoes – no high heels

OPTION 3 - ALL Black dress slacks and ALL Black dress blouse with minimum of ¼ sleeve (no sleeveless blouses), with ALL Black closed toe dress shoes - no high heels

*formalfashionsinc.com or Formal Fashions 1-800-528-7909

GRADES

Grades for band courses are divided into four categories:

LEVELS: 100 points

Every student will be given their own copy of the LEVELS Program. Grades are based on the standards performed as well as the grade level of the student. Students will continue to work on and improve their LEVELS standing throughout each semester. The grade can continue to improve at any time - there is no final due date on LEVELS until the end of the semester grades are due.

The complete LEVELS Program can be found online on the band's website. This will be the core focus for the student grade. As such, the LEVEL grade will be calculated within the semester grade AND as a summative grade for the Final Test Grade each semester.

Individual Performance Assessments:

varies: 20 points to 100 points depending on the assignment
Students will complete periodic music performance assessments which will be a combination of live performance assessments and recorded performance assessments. These will be from a variety of music resources that are being studied as part of the band classes.

Concert Performances:

100 points per performance

20 points per rehearsal

As part of the band courses, students will perform as part of an ensemble outside of the school day as part of any CHHS Band Course

Students will perform as an ensemble with other students for a variety of planned performances. This will include full ensemble concerts and small ensemble concerts. Performances will be outside of school hours (aka "after school") and are a required part of participation in band classes. As part of the Concert Performance Grade, there will be after school rehearsals to prepare for the concert performances. 20 points per rehearsal for the Concert Performance that will be earned from participation in the after school rehearsals.

All events will be listed on the Band's official calendar at www.centralhardinband.org - schedules will be linked inside the calendar for events