

# **Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Symphonic Winds, Percussion Techniques, Jazz Ensemble**

## **Semesters 1 and 2 2019-2020**

### **Daily Demonstration of Skills and Knowledge 30%**

Students must demonstrate basic playing skills, which include proper playing position, proper sitting or standing position, proper hand positions, and proper rehearsal etiquette. Proper rehearsal etiquette assumes that the student will be in class on time and ready to learn and that they will bring the basic tools (pencil, mouthpiece, neck strap, music, instrument, etc...) necessary to learn.

**Cell phone usage during instructional time will also result in points lost.**

\* All students will start each semester with 450 points. Five points will be deducted for each incident.

Any absences excused or unexcused result in the loss of points for the day. Lost points can be made up by practicing before school, after school, during lunch, or study hall. Check in with Mr. Moehlmann for the practice room key and let him know you are making up points.

### **Playing/written work 30%**

- **Scale Tests**
- **Selected Music Excerpt Tests**
- **Slide Show Portfolio**
- **Self Reflection**

### **Required Performances 40%**

Students will receive full credit per concert if they:

- Arrive to the warm up rooms on time, are dressed in their concert uniform, and are with their music.
- Demonstrate good concert etiquette, both during their own performance and while listening to their fellow students perform.
- Stay for the entire concert.
- Complete concert reflection.

**\*The schedule for all performances for the entire year has been made available to avoid potential conflicts.**

\*\*Any missed schedule performance must be approved by Mr. Moehlmann in order for an alternate make-up assignment to be allowed. Unexcused absences can not be made up and a "0" will be assessed for that grade. All excused absence decisions or make-up opportunities are at the sole discretion of Mr. Moehlmann.

## **Final Exam -- (20%)total**

**Performance Final** --This Material will be announced at a later date.

# Niles North High School

## Course and Classroom Procedures

### 2019 - 2020

**The following information describes the classroom procedures and course expectations for students enrolled in this course. Students are expected to review this information with their parents and return the top sheet to the instructor.**

1. **Attendance** – Students will follow the attendance procedures delineated in the **Niles North Student Guidebook** for daily classroom attendance. Students are expected to be in their assigned seats with their music, instrument tuned, and a pencil, two minutes after the bell. Students who are detained by authorized personnel must bring a pass.
2. **Class Materials** – Students will be assigned a folder and music for which they are responsible and must bring to class each day. Students are expected to bring their instrument and a pencil to each class. Students may be requested to purchase etude music, mutes, reeds, or other supplies necessary for the class.
3. **Extra Help** – Students are encouraged to seek extra help. Please see me to schedule an appointment before, during, or after school. **(See teacher’s appointment schedule.)** We also have an excellent Peer Leadership Program where we can arrange for you to work with our band student leaders.
4. **Make-up Procedures** – Assignments or practice schedules will be assigned as to the nature of the absence. Past practices have included but are not limited to: extra practices, playing tests and written assignments

**\*Due to band being a performance-based class, unexcused absences can not be made up. Absences excused by the director will be made up by an alternate assignment. The alternate assignment will be due on or before the missed performance in order to receive full credit.**

5. **Tests & Quizzes** – Students will be required to take both written and performance tests based upon material covered in class. These items, along with classroom participation, preparedness, and attendance at required performances, will constitute the student's grade. See syllabus for a complete list
6. **Homework** – Preparation of the music being tested and performed is essential. Each student is expected to practice and prepare the music studied in class. Class time is spent on the rehearsal of the ensemble, not personal practice..
7. **Grading** – Performance exams, class participation/practice logs, music theory, written assignments, and concert attendance will be evaluated to determine your nine weeks' grade. Students are required to attend all scheduled concerts and rehearsals. An unexcused absence will result in lowering the grade by 10% for the quarter that the concert was unexcused. An alternate assignment will be assigned in the event of an excused absence. Each situation will be decided on an individual basis.
8. **Final Exam** – The final exam grade will constitute 20% of the student’s overall grade.  
\*See syllabus for a complete outline of the grading policy.

## BAND CALENDAR

*Wednesday, August 21	Vocal Jazz Rhythm Section Auditions, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
<b>Friday, September 6</b>	Football Game ---- Call Time 5:00
<b>Saturday, September 14</b>	Northwestern Band Day -- Call Time TBA
<b>Friday, September 20</b>	Football Game ---- Call Time 5:00
*Wednesday, October 2	ILMEA Band and Jazz Band Auditions, Stevenson H.S.
<b>Friday, October 4</b>	Football Game (Band Senior Recognition) -Call Time 5:00
<b>Friday, October 18</b>	Football Game and Parade (Homecoming) - Call Time 5:00
<b>Monday, October, 21</b>	Dress Rehearsal Band/Choir Concert 3:30 Auditorium
<b>Wednesday, October, 23</b>	Band/Choir Concert 7:30p.m. Auditorium - Call Time 6:00
*Friday, November 1	Fall Jazz Concert 7:30 Auditorium - Call Time TBA
*Saturday, November 9	ILMEA Concert Festival, Grayslake North High School
*Friday, December 14	Percussion Ens. and Jazz Concert, 7:30 p.m., Auditorium
*Saturday, November 23	ILMEA District Jazz Festival, Lake Zurich High School
<b>Wednesday, December 4</b>	Collage Concert Rehearsal, 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.
<b>Thursday, Dec. 5</b>	Collage Concert, 10:00 am Auditorium
<b>Thursday Dec. 5</b>	Collage Concert 7:30 p.m. Auditorium
*Fri./Sat.,, January 10/11	Northshore Honor Band
*Wednesday, January 14	Curr./Activities Night, 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Aud.
* January 17-21	ORLANDO BAND TRIP
*January 29 - February 1	ILMEA All-State Festival, Peoria, IL
<b>Tuesday, February 4</b>	Dress Rehearsal Band Extravaganza 3:30 pm Auditorium
<b>Wednesday, February 5</b>	Band Extravaganza 7:00pm Auditorium --- Call Time TBA
*Sat./Sun., February 29/1	University of Iowa Honor Band
*Saturday, Feb 29	Jazz in the Meadows festival, Rolling Meadows H.S.
*Thursday, March 12	Musical "Matilda", 10:00 a.m., Auditorium
*Friday, March 13	Musical "Matilda", 7:00 p.m., Auditorium
*Saturday, March 14	Musical "Matilda",, 2:00 & 7:00p.m., Auditorium
*Wednesday, March 19	Orchestra Concert, 7:00 p.m., Auditorium
*Tuesday, April 22	Orchestra Concert, 7:00 p.m., Auditorium
<b>Monday, May 4</b>	Dress Rehearsal Spring Concert, 3:30 p.m. Auditorium
<b>Tuesday, May 5</b>	Spring Band Concert, 7:30 p.m. Auditorium
Friday, May 8	Percussion and Jazz Concert, 7:30 p.m. Auditorium

WHEN NEEDED, EXTRA REHEARSALS WILL BE SCHEDULED

TWO WEEKS NOTICE IS REQUIRED FOR ALL EXCUSED ABSENCES.

ADDITIONAL PERFORMANCES MAY BE SCHEDULED WHEN THE OPPORTUNITY ARISES

\*-Required for certain individuals and volunteers

**Bold Dates are Mandatory for ALL band members**

## **Concert Attire**

**All students will need to purchase our band t-shirt for 20 dollars, you will use this shirt for all four years**

### **Marching Band**

Marching uniforms will be provided for marching band performances. Students will need to supply black socks and **ALL BLACK** shoes. Underneath the uniform students should wear their purple band t-shirt and athletic shorts.

### **Concert/Symphonic/Symphonic Winds**

Students need to wear "dress black". This includes black shirt, black pants, black shoes, black socks. **Ladies must have shoulders covered and dresses that go to the ankle.** If ladies would like they may rent a dress from the music department free of charge.

### **Jazz Ensemble**

Concert attire includes: a solid color shirt, black pants, black shoes, black socks, and a solid black tie. The tie is optional for ladies.

### **Percussion Ensemble**

Concert attire is all "dress black" with a solid color tie. The tie is optional for ladies.

**Please return Monday, August 19**

**I have read and agree to the above rules and procedures for the 2018-2019 Niles North School year.**

**Student Name (Print)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent or Guardian Name (Print)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent email** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please check the box if you would be interested and available to help out volunteer/chaperone with band and fine arts events. Thank you in advance for your support**