

# MIRROR LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND



August 13, 2015 Volume XVIII

## GRADING



**Evaluation** (written and played) =50%

**Participation** (5 pts. daily)

[effort in class, behavior, daily preparation,  
attitude, concert attendance (required)]

=50%

Points will be deducted for any late assignment.

Grade deficiencies may be improved by extra credit work

## HOMEWORK - IF YOU CAN'T PLAY IT, IT IS HOMEWORK



Two to three hours of practice are expected each week.

Practice Rooms are available before school from 7:30-8:00AM

7th and 8th graders should be practicing throughout the week and not saving practice until the weekend. Each practice session should include warm up, technique work, tough music, and then easy/fun music. It's also good to have a dedicated space for practicing with a music stand set up.

## MATERIALS

In addition to your student's instrument, he/she should have the accessories necessary to maintain it (reeds, valve oil, cork grease, etc.).

**Beginning Band**

Standard of Excellence, book 1 (red),

**Intermediate Bands**

Standard of Excellence, book 2 (blue)

**Concert Band**

Standard of Excellence, book 3 (green)



# IMPORTANT CONCERT DATES



Beginning Band	Thursday, December 10	7PM
Int I, II & Concert	Tuesday, October 13	7PM
	Tuesday, December 15	7PM
Jazz Band	Auditions begin August 24,	7:15 AM
	Saturday, November 21 (B&N)	noon

Attend all performances - Please prearrange absences from concerts with Mr. Harrington at least 2 weeks before a concert. Beginning Band and Intermediate I Band have 3 concerts each. Intermediate II and Concert Band have at least 4 concerts.

## STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- ◆ Maintain good attendance (excessive absences will lower your grade).
- ◆ Arrive on time and be in your seat prepared to rehearse two minutes after passing time ends.
- ◆ Participate in each rehearsal in a positive and cooperative way.
- ◆ Avoid distracting behavior during rehearsals.
- ◆ Practice regularly and turn in practice sheets on time.
- ◆ Treat yourself, others, Mr. Harrington, instruments, and all music equipment with consideration and respect (Negative comments and attitudes will lower your grade).



## CONCERT ATTIRE

### 7th and 8th grade students

- Black pants, black socks, black belt
- Black tuxedo shirt purchased from school, will be ordered in band
- Green tie, borrowed from school

Ladies - no skirts/dresses/leggings

### 6th grade students

- Black pants, black socks, black belt
- White shirt/blouse
- Ladies - no skirts/dresses/leggings
- Guys - necktie or bow tie

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