

# **CONCERT BAND COURSE DISCLOSURE**

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## **Course Description**

This course is designed to help students further their musical skills. Students will rehearse and perform with others. As we prepare for performances students will be taught music reading skills, musicality, music terminology, music history, and music theory.

## **Goal for the 2010 – 2011 School Year**

### **Excellence in all we do!**

Our goal last year was to show up and be on time. I felt that we made improvements, and I encourage students to continue to be diligent with their attendance.

## **Guidelines for Success**

Classroom rules for the Canyon View High School Bands

1. Be on time.
2. Be prepared. (instrument, music, pencil, and practice)
3. Be courteous.
4. No gum, candy, food, or drink allowed in the classroom (water only).
5. Clean up after yourselves.

## **Canyon View High School Mission Statement**

CVHS, in partnership with parents and community, empowers students to become caring, competent, and contributing citizens who find fulfillment in lifelong learning.

## **Desired Results for Student Learning**

1. A Competent Learner
2. An Effective Communicator
3. A Responsible Citizen

Canyon View High School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or qualified disability.

## **Grading**

### **Grades will be based on the following:**

1. Participation: Students can earn up to 30 points a week for participation, points will be subtracted if students miss rehearsals (unexcused), and if they break the guidelines for success.

2. Practice: Students can earn up to 20 points a week for practicing. Students are required to practice for at least two hours a week outside of rehearsal time.

2 hours = 20 points, 1.5 hours = 18 points, 1 hour = 16 points, .5 hour = 14 points, and anything less = 0 points. Please remember it is much more effective to break this time up over several days.

3. Scale Tests: Students will be tested on three scales per term.

4. Performances: Performances will account for approximately 25 – 30% of your total grade. Performances are mandatory.

5. Extra Credit: This can be earned by attending a concert other than your own. Turn in a half page report about the concert (typed and single spaced). Extra credit can also be earned by putting in extra practice time. Two points of extra credit will be given for every 30 minutes beyond 2 hours.

## **Eligibility**

Keep your grades up in all classes. Students who receive more than one F, or less than a 2.0 GPA at the end of any given term are not eligible to perform or compete during the entire next term. (For example if you earn two or more F's during the third term, then you will not be able to play with the band at Region Festival.)

Also, students must be in attendance at school on the day of performances, festivals, or competitions. If it is a Saturday event, but we leave for the event on Friday, then they must be in attendance on Friday.

## **Necessary Materials**

- Instrument
- Accessories
  - cleaning kit
  - metronome (not required, but strongly recommended)
  - tuner (not required, but strongly recommended)
  - reed players need to have a good supply of reeds
  - trumpet players need to have a straight mute
- Book “Foundations for Superior Performance”
- Music Folder and Music (provided)
- Flip Folder and Lyre
- Pencil

## **Uniforms**

The Concert Band uniform is a white dress shirt, black dress pants, black dress shoes, black socks, and a tie for the males. The females need to wear a long, modest, black dress.

The Pep Band uniform is our band shirt and nice, clean blue jeans.

## **Fees**

Pay all fees to Mrs. Cowan then show me your receipts.

- \$30 Band Participation Fee. This fee is mandated by the school district, and it covers expenses for all the bands throughout the school year.
- \$10 for Band Shirt. It is the same shirt as last year, so returning students do not need to buy another one if they still have theirs, and it is in good condition.
- All students who use school owned instruments will need to pay a \$50 rental fee. An instrument rental form needs to be filled out and returned to Mr. Jordan along with your receipt.

## **Private Lessons**

I encourage all students to take private lessons. There are a lot of good teachers in the community, and some good music students at the university that would like to have some private students. I can recommend a good teacher if you are interested.

## **How Parents can Help**

### At Home

1. Calendar all of your child's performances and avoid scheduling other events over the top of them.
2. Show an interest in the music study of your child.
3. Arrange a regular time for your child to practice in a quiet place without interruptions, and help them as much as you are capable.
4. Make sure they have a safe place to keep their instrument.
5. Keep the instrument in good repair and encourage them to be careful with their instrument.
6. Make sure they have the necessary accessories (metronome, tuner, cleaning kit, reeds, mutes, sticks, mallets etc.)
7. Even though private study is not required, it is strongly recommended.
8. Encourage your child to play for others when opportunities arise.

### At School

1. Encourage your child to faithfully attend all rehearsals, performances, and activities, and teach them to be prepared and on time.
2. Notify the teacher if your child is going to be absent.
3. Visit rehearsals and lessons occasionally.
4. Attend as many performances as you possibly can.
5. See that they don't forget their instrument and music.
6. Ask them about the music they are learning and what they need to practice.
7. Volunteer to help out and become a band booster.
8. Purchase band attire and wear it at band, school, and community events.

## **Concert Band Performance Schedule 2010 - 2011**

### 1<sup>st</sup> Semester

Sep. 24 Homecoming Football Game Pep Band 7:00 p.m.  
Students must also participate in the Pep Band at at least one other football game. The options are Aug. 27, Sep. 3, Oct. 1, or Oct. 21. 7:00 p.m.

Oct. 28 Halloween Concert 7:00 p.m.

Dec. 14 Music Dept. Christmas Concert 7:00 p.m.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester

Mar. 3 CVHS and CVMS Pops Concert 7:00 p.m.

Mar. 30 Region Band @SC 3:00pm

May 6-7 State Band @Jordan HS All Day

May 17 Spring Concert 7:00pm

### **Performances are mandatory.**

Call time is usually 30 minutes prior unless notified differently.

**Concert Band Course Disclosure**  
Due Tomorrow (Worth 50 Points)

I understand and agree to abide by the expectations of this class.

Student Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Student Email** \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Email** \_\_\_\_\_