

Band Room Rules

- Always walk, no chasing, running, or rowdy behavior.
- Chewing gum, eating or drinking are not allowed in the band room. (food and drink ruins instruments.)
- Be ready to play two minutes after the bell rings with music, books, instrument, pencils extra reeds, valve oil etc.
- No back packs or bags in band room.
- Instruments should never go to your class. They should be stored on the appropriate shelf before school (doors open 8:45-8:55.) and picked up after school for practice.
- Enter the instrument storage room through the first door and exit through the second.
- Music folders need to be kept in the shelves. Mark a shelf with your name.
- Music folders are to have first and last names on the outside.
- Label each sheet of music with first name and last initial.
- Try to use the bathroom and drink water before band. Water faucet is in "Music Office."
6th graders use punch cards. 7th and 8th sign out.
- Never touch an instrument that is not yours (this includes percussion instruments.)
- Instruments are very fragile and expensive to repair. They need to be treated with great care and respect. Never sit on a case, always rinse your mouth out after eating before you play. Flutes and Clarinets: Always clean your instrument after playing. Trumpet, trombone, baritone and tuba: use valve and slide oil frequently (Do so before class starts). Have some in your case. Reeds must be removed from the mouthpiece and put in holder.
- Always make sure your chair and stand are tidy in the row, and those around you. Garbage picked up etc. No one is excused until the room is clean.
- Class isn't over until I excuse you..... when the room is clean.
- Practice cards will start after the first few weeks. They are due on Tues. (You can turn them in on Mon. Less credit for late cards. More practice will make you a better player and give you extra credit!
- Always play your instrument at a reasonable, soft level. (No blatting.)
- Hats must not cover your face.
- 6th graders must have SSR books every day. No homework during class.
- You must be in the band room on time, two minutes to be in your seat warming up. Third tardy will be a call home, fourth a referral.

Behavior and Participation Grade (50% or your total grade!)

Follow all Band Room Rules! Each student walks into the band room with five BP (behavior and participation) points, each time a student breaks a rule or disrupts class, a point is removed. The following are codes so you know why your name was written on the overhead.

Disruptively talking : T

Wasted time or tardy: W

Poor Posture: PP

Playing too loud: L

Playing disruptively: P

Not ready to play, not focused: F

Missing materials (music, etc): M

Not following rules: R

Following the band room rules can give you an easy "A" for half of your grade, but if you are finding your name on the overhead a lot, be prepared for a poor grade..... its 50%.

