

### Mr. Bennett

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# **Sixth Grade Band**

2023-2024

## **COURSE OVERVIEW**

- Welcome to sixth grade band! I am so excited to join you as you continue your musical journey!!!
- Sixth grade band will begin with a quick review of the information that was taught in fifth grade. Once we finish the review, we will progress through the book and begin adding instruments to our band. In the past, these have included Tuba, Bass Clarinet, Baritone, and French Horn.
- This year we will have three performances to demonstrate our progress to our family and friends.

## **CALENDAR**



We have 3 performances scheduled for this year's band. Please add them to your family calendar and let friends and family know!

**Wednesday, December 13 - 7:00 PM** 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Christmas Concert in the middle school cafetorium

**Wednesday, February 7 - 6:00 PM** K-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Music/Band Showcase (location TBD)

Thursday, May 9 – 6:00 PM 5th-8th Grade Spring Concert in the middle school cafetorium

## **GRADING POLICY**

## <u>Grades are category-based and use the following category breakdown:</u> Technique/Theory/History/Practice assignments - 40% of final grade

- -playing assessments
- -written assessments
- -reflection journals/practice videos

#### Group Work - 30% of final grade

-performances and select group assignments

#### Participation - 30% of final grade

-points earned by having instruments, music/books, and necessary supplies in class (see attached supplies list for details)



Infinite Campus: Check Infinite Campus regularly for updated grades. Even though we use SmartMusic and Google Classroom for assignments and feedback, official grades will always appear on Infinite Campus.



# **RULES AND CONSEQUENCES**

#### **CLASSROOM RULES:**

- 1. LISTEN AND FOLLOW DIRECTIONS
- 2. RAISE YOUR HAND BEFORE SPEAKING OR LEAVING YOUR SEAT
- 3. RESPECT YOUR CLASSMATES AND YOUR TEACHER
- 4. KEEP YOUR HANDS, FEET, AND OBJECTS TO YOURSELF

#### CONSEQUENCES FOR FAILING TO FOLLOW CLASSROOM RULES:

- 1. WARNING
- 2. TIME OUT FROM PLAYING
- 3. PARENT NOTIFICATION this notification will be through a paper memo sent home with the student explaining what rules were broken. A parent signature will be required on the paper which will be returned the next day.

### **GOOGLE CLASSROOM**



ALL BAND MEMBERS ARE TO REGISTER FOR THE CLASS!

Sixth Grade Band: gcncjxk



### **SMARTMUSIC**



We will be using a program called SmartMusic for most playing assessments this year. Subscriptions are paid for by the district, but students must register for an account. Registration for SmartMusic will be done in class.

### Your login info will be:

User Name – first.last Password – lunch/login email

# MODES OF COMMUNICATION



Assignments are given in class and communicated through Google Classroom. When necessary to communicate with parents, I will send e-mail through Infinite Campus. E-mail correspondence to Mr. Bennett should be sent to bennett@idaschools.org.

On some occasions I will send text reminders out to our Remind group. This would be primarily concert reminders or any changes that occur to activities outside of school hours.

To sign up for the group, text @idaband30 to 81010