

Eastlake Middle School, 2015-2016
INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED BAND - SYLLABUS
Mr. Academia, Band Director

INTRODUCTION

The Eastlake Middle School Intermediate (1st Semester) / Advanced Band (2nd Semester) is for students who have one or more years of experience playing a band instrument. This class does not include piano or guitar lessons. Music theory, tone production, scales, warm-up techniques, sight reading, and rehearsal and performance techniques are taught.

This is a performing group and represents Eastlake Middle School at many school events, a Chula Vista parade, an Eastlake High School football half-time show, the SUHSD Band Pageant, a band festival, ELM Holiday and Spring Concerts, recruiting concerts, and Knott's Berry Farm. We need to be organized, act disciplined, look presentable, and sound good.

MATERIALS

Each student will need to have the following materials for every class session:
If your student cannot obtain these items, one will be provided for them.

1. Their band instrument
2. Their music book
3. Their music folder (3 ring binder, 1" or 1.5") for their music
4. A pencil
5. A teachable, positive attitude
6. We are also asking for each student to donate one box of tissues to be used throughout the year. This is optional — not a requirement.

CLASSROOM RULES POLICY

Each student is expected to adhere to the procedures, rules, consequences, and rewards set out in the Classroom Discipline Plan.

MUSIC SUPPLIES

We will have a few music supplies available. These are:

- ❑ cork grease - \$1
- ❑ clarinet reeds - \$1.50
- ❑ clarinet swabs - \$2
- ❑ alto sax reeds - \$2
- ❑ tenor sax and bass clarinet reeds - \$2.50
- ❑ baritone sax reeds - \$3.00
- ❑ valve oil - \$1
- ❑ slide oil - \$1

All of these items are included for free. These are the replacement costs when the items are used up or lost.

INSTRUMENTS

There are several local music store that carry other band materials and even rent and sell band instruments. These are:

- Harper's Music Store (Chula Vista) 619-398-2505, www.harpersmusicstore.com
- Garrett Band Instruments (Lemon Grove) 619-698-2427, www.garrettmusic.com
- Alan's Music Center (La Mesa) 619-466-1938, www.AlansMusicCenter.com
- Guitar Center (La Mesa) 619-668-8400 www.guitarcenter.com/Band-Orchestra-Instruments-g26767t0.gc
- Nick Rail Music (Penasquitos) 858-679-7333 www.nickrailmusic.com
- Bertrand's Music (Penasquitos) 888-780-1812 www.bertrandsmusic.com

SCHOLARSHIP GRADES

Scholarship grades are based on several factors:

- ❑ Practice Sheets
- ❑ Playing Tests
- ❑ Performances (missing a concert will require 'make-up' work)
- ❑ Effort

CITIZEN GRADES

Citizenship grades are based on several factors:

- ❑ Class participation
- ❑ Cooperation with the director and other students
- ❑ Willingness to adhere to the Classroom Discipline Plan
- ❑ Absences and tardies
- ❑ Excessive talking or not paying attention
- ❑ Being purposefully disruptive or disrespectful

This will be an enjoyable year for your child. Please encourage him/her and give them every opportunity to succeed by finding a place for them to practice and helping them to be accountable. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at the phone number or by e-mail noted below.

Respectfully,

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