

Grading Policy

Students will be graded on the following scale:

- **Daily Participation 50%**
Includes: Instrument, music supplies, concentration, class work, following class rules, etc...
- **Tests, Rehearsals, Performances 50%**
Includes: Co-curricular events such as performances and rehearsals

First semester exam

- Winds = region scales
- Percussion = one region etude

Second semester exam

- 9th – 11th grade = participation in graduation performance
- 12th grade = participation in the spring concert.

All performances and rehearsals of the band are mandatory. Excused absences from a performance or rehearsal will only be granted if the following criteria are met.

1. Performances - All excused absences from performances must be requested by submitting the "Absence Request Form" from the band website and turn it in, as per directions, at least one week prior to event. An absence from a region, area or state level event cannot be excused except for extenuating circumstances. Performances include football games, pep rallies, parades, marching contests (all levels), and concerts (including concert contest). An unexcused absence from a performance can result in dismissal from the band.
2. Rehearsals - For an absence from a rehearsal to be excused, the **parent** must submit the "Absence Request Form" from the band website and turn it in, as per directions, at least one week prior to event. The Director of Bands will have the final decision if a rehearsal is to be excused. Extenuating circumstances may allow for an absence to be considered excused which does not meet the above criteria, but this shall be at the director's discretion. If you are absent from the entire day of school then you will not be expected to be at rehearsal. If you check in during the day, you are required to be at rehearsal.