Glenn Hills High School

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6th Period Band Class Syllabus

# Course Information

Instructor- Mr. Kirby Thompson

Location- Band/Canvas (Virtual)

Class Time- 6th Period 12:30-1:20pm

Office Time- 10:05am-10:55am

## Course Overview

This course is centered around learning instrumental music fundamentals, music history, sight reading fundamentals, general music theory, and how to perform in an instrumental ensemble.

## Course Goals

1. For students to have a full understanding of instrumental music and how to perform properly.
2. For students to be able to read music on a level 2-3 level.
3. For students to understand various musical periods and how they changed instrumental music over time.
4. For students to understand musical element present in music that give it depth.
5. For students to be able to perform as an ensemble on high level.

## Course Expectations

1. For students to perform in class every day.
2. For students to put 100% into each task given in-person or virtual.
3. For students to not give-up on any task given.
4. For students to be on-time for each class and to submit/complete all assignments on time.
5. For students to be always respectful.

Course Requirements

1. All students must provide a Blue Folder, which they will use to keep music that is passed out to them organized. Folders will be checked each Friday for a Pop Quiz.
2. Must have an instrument mouthpiece.
3. All Students are required to perform in all concert band events which will be used as a test grade. Failure to perform will result in affecting your grade.
4. All students are required to play their instrument everyday in class. Failure to playing your instrument will affect your participation grade for the week.
5. Some students will have to rent or buy the instrument they would like to play depending on what instrument is or isn’t available here at the school.

***No Cell Phones During Instructional Time*: Students cannot use cell phones, smartwatches, headphones, or other electronic communication devices during the instructional day. This includes class periods, changes, study halls, and other structured or non-structured instructional activities.**

## Grade Weights

Minor Grades 60%

Major Grades 40%

Grade Policy (Need to verify)

90%-100%=A 80%-89%=B 70%-79%=C 69%-Below=F

## Instrument Policy

Some students enrolled in this class will be assigned to an instrument. The student will be responsible for the upkeep of their instrument, and it must be returned at the end of the year in good condition.

## Instruments available

Flute

Clarinet

Alto Saxophone

Mellophone

Euphonium (Concert)

Tuba (Concert)

## Rehearsal attendance and Band Performance Policy

All rehearsals will take place from 3pm-6pm. Mandatory Study Hall will be held before practice right after school from 2:15pm-3:00pm Students must attend at least 3 practices during the week to be eligible to perform. The rehearsal the day before the performance is mandatory for all students apart of the ensemble.

Mandatory Performance(s)

ALL CONCERT BAND PERFORMANCE ARE MANDATORY

MARCHING BAND is optional. ALSO IS EXTRA CREDIT