



# Millersburg Area Middle School Band & Lessons

Days: 2 & 4      Period: 6      Room: Band Room

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## Course Materials

All students must bring the following materials to every band rehearsal:  
Instrument, Folder, Music, & Pencil

## Lessons/Labs

\*Middle school band students will be assigned a lesson time and required to attend a lesson once every 6 day cycle week. Lessons will stay at the same time and day cycle each week. However, the times and day will change every marking period so that a student will not miss the same class all year.

\*All students will receive a copy of the lesson schedule and it will be posted on the band room door and on my website.

\*If a student misses a lesson, it must be made up before the end of the marking period. This can be done during a make-up lesson time or may be made up before or after school. Please see Mrs. Slemmer for available times.

\*\*If you are failing, doing poorly, or have a major review or test in a class during your lesson/lab time, **remain in your class** and see Mrs. Slemmer about a make-up time or changing your time and day for that marking period.

## Classroom Guidelines (Procedures for a smooth flowing rehearsal)

- Enter the room on time. If you enter after the bell rings, you must obtain a pass from your previous teacher or the office.
- Leave all gum, food, and drinks outside the rehearsal area.
- Retrieve your instrument and music.
- Find your assigned seat.
- Warm-ups and tuning.
- Music rehearsal.
- End of rehearsal announcements.
- Mrs. Slemmer will dismiss you with time to return your music & instrument and retrieve your belongings for the next class.

## Possible Consequences

- Verbal Warning
- Consultation with Mrs. Slemmer
- Phone call or email to parents/guardian
- Office write-up (after school detention)
- Meeting with the principal and parents

## **Class Grading**

Students will receive a letter grade for band. Grades will be based on the following criteria:

- Lesson attendance (6 per marking period-bonus points for extra lessons/lab attended over 6)
- Rehearsal Attendance (timeliness)
- Rehearsal Etiquette (following rehearsal guidelines)
- Participation (attitude & willingness to play)
- Concert/Performance Attendance (Holiday Concert in December & Spring Concert in May)

## **Performances**

The band performs in two major concerts every year; one in the winter and one in the spring. **Attendance at both concerts is mandatory.** The concert is the culmination of many weeks of hard work and all students need to participate. Athletic conflicts are not permitted over concerts. Concert participation counts towards a major part of the student's grade.

## **Concert Dates**

**Tuesday, December 14, 2021 @ 7:00 PM (Report time TBA)**

**Tuesday, April 12, 2022 @ 7:00 PM (Report time TBA)**

\*All concerts are in the high school auditorium

## **Performance Attire**

Concerts are a formal occasion. **Jeans, shorts and sneakers are not permitted.** Students must also follow The Millersburg Area School District's dress code.

**Students may wear the following:**

**Girls**-dress slacks, dress, skirt (knee length or longer) & blouse, dress capri pants (not denim), dress shoes (no flip-flops)

**Boys**-dress slacks, polo shirt, buttoned-down shirt, dress shoes, tie/bow tie

\*If you have issues getting dress attire, please contact Mrs. Slemmer at least 3 weeks prior to the concert so arrangements can be made.

## **Care of Music/School-Borrowed Instruments**

All music and/or instruments borrowed to students are the property of the Millersburg Area School District and must be treated with care. Music that is lost or damaged will be replaced at the expense of the student. Students are not expected to pay for minor wear-and-tear damage or upkeep of the school. However, damages due to obvious neglect by the borrower will be repaired at the expense of the borrower.

## **Instrument Loan Contracts**

All students who borrow an instrument from the Millersburg Area School District will be required to fill out an instrument loan contract. See Mrs. Slemmer for the form.



## Millersburg Middle School Band & Lesson Signature Form

Please complete, detach from syllabus, and return to Mrs. Slemmer by **Wednesday, Sept. 1st.**

Student Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this form, I acknowledge that I, and my parent/guardian have read and understand the contents of the Middle School Band and Lesson Course Syllabus and attendance at the **Winter Concert on Tuesday, December 14, 2021 and the Spring Concert on Tuesday, April 12, 2022** in the high school auditorium are required. Both concerts will begin at 7:00 PM and report time will be determined at a later date.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Info:

Parent/Guardian Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # (Home or Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_