

6th GRADE BAND GUIDELINES

1. I understand the importance of playing my instrument, and will try to play on a daily basis. 5 minutes is better than NO minutes !
2. I will have one lesson per week with Mr. Baldwin. I am responsible for remembering this day. If I miss my lesson, I need to make arrangements with Mr.B for a make-up lesson. For lessons, I will need:
a) my instrument, b) my book, c) any other music assigned.
3. I am responsible for making up work that I may have missed in class, while I was at my lesson.
4. I will be on time for After-School School Band rehearsals, and will be prepared with my instrument. Rehearsals begin at 2:13 PM and dismissal is at 3:00 PM. After school buses are available. *Our first band rehearsal will be on Monday, Sept. 20.*
5. I will not talk during rehearsal when Mr. B is on the podium. Talking during rehearsal is distracting, and keeps us from having an effective rehearsal.
6. I will treat other people in band with respect. I will take good care of my instrument, and not play with other students instruments. I will label my instrument case with my name & address.
7. I will fill out my practice sheet every day, and have mom or dad sign it before each lesson. Lessons and band rehearsals don't count as individual practice.

8. This year's concert dates are:
Monday, Dec. 1, 2010 Winter Concert @ BHS Auditorium
Monday, March 7, 2011 6th Grade Band Concert @ TCMS
Tuesday, May 24, 2011 Final Concert @ TCMS

I will not miss lessons or band, unless I am excused by my parents or my classroom teacher. The band is a team, and lessons/band practices/and concerts are all an important part of our team's activities. Students missing too many lessons risk losing the privilege of performing with the group.

9. I recognize that 6th Grade Band is a yearlong course, and that my commitment to the group is important. Students in band past the first 2 cycles will be expected to honor this commitment.
10. Students taking private lessons: Because Mr. Baldwin is responsible for registering students for solofest, please make every attempt to work closely with him concerning solo selection and level.

TRY Try to play your instrument every day, even if it's only for a short time.
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please detach and return:

We have read the 6th grade band guidelines, and will work together to encourage and observe these guidelines throughout the school year. Mr. Baldwin's grading policy and complete calendar can be found online. www.baldwinsmusic.com/tcms

Student's signature

Parent's signature

Parent's E-Mail Address

Please sign and return to
Mr.B no later than Friday, Sept.17