

5th Grade Band Information



PARENTS: SIGN UP FOR TEXT ALERTS FOR 5TH GRADE BAND

SEND A TEXT TO: 2172538130 with the message: @41cea

Instructor: Christopher Gore

WHEN IS BAND? Welcome to band! 5^h grade band meets every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 2:30-2:55. Students meet in small group lessons until full band starts on September 30th. Please remember to bring your instrument to school these days. If you forget your instrument, you are still required to attend band so you do not miss the lesson material.

WHEN IS MY LESSON? Individual lesson times will be announced Monday, August 30th. Keep your instrument in the band room after registration and pick it up after your first lesson. Your lesson will be during regular class time and any classwork you miss while in lessons you are expected to make up.

HOW DO I EARN AN 'A' IN BAND?

- Bring your instrument, pencil, and book to band and your lesson, follow all classroom expectations 10 points per week
- Complete composition homework and EE quizzes 15 points each
- Practice 4 times each week for 15-20 minutes and fill out practice record with parent signature 10 points per week
- Attend all performances 50 points each
- Prepare for each playing test (one per quarter) 20 points each
- Complete fall and spring listening projects 30 points each

WHAT IS A PRACTICE RECORD? Every week you fill out a practice record to keep track of when you practice and to keep track of your weekly goals. During the first few weeks of band we

will fill out the practice record in your lesson. When we start to meet for full band we will fill it out as a class. When practicing at home, keep track of which days you practice and for how long. Have a grown up that you live with sign next to 'Parent Signature' every Sunday. I will collect practice records every Wednesday at the start of band. If you lose your practice record, print a new one off of the band website www.arcolamusicdept.org.

WHAT ARE THE BAND ROOM EXPECTATIONS?

1. Make a *sincere* effort to improve and contribute
2. **Respect- Self, Students, Staff, Equipment, Space**
3. No food, drink or gum! Water only
4. Bring your instrument, a pencil, and your book every day

WHEN ARE THE PERFORMANCES?

December 8th at 2:00pm Christmas Concert

February 22nd at 6:30pm Dinner Concert

March 8th 10am-3pm Solo and Ensemble Contest at Arcola

May 8th at 7:00pm Band and Choral Concert

WHAT DO I WEAR TO PERFORMANCES?

Ladies- black dress, black shoes or black pants/skirt black and a black or white top

Gentlemen- black shoes, black socks, black pants, white long sleeve button down shirt, purple tie

HOW CAN I EARN EXTRA CREDIT? If you need extra help or want to improve as a musician at a faster pace I am available Monday-Thursday before and after school for free 20 minute lessons. Each lesson earns you 2 extra credit points. Sign-up behind the desk in the band room!

ANYTHING ELSE? If you need new reeds or any other supplies for your instrument call B and J music at 2174431050 by Wednesday of that week. George, our B and J music representative, travels to the school every Friday for repairs and to deliver supplies. Calling the store directly works much better than students telling me and having me relay the information.

Any questions I did not answer- please email me cgore@arcolaschools.com or call me 2172684962

If you sign up for text alerts I will send out reminders about performances, homework, and other general information. The number is set up through the remind101 application. I will not have your phone number and you will not have mine. I cannot respond to any messages you send to that number.

All forms and information is available on our website

<http://www.arcolamusicdept.org>