

Intermediate (Concert) Band Syllabus, Lane Tech

Course Title: Intermediate Band

Course Number: 958101R

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Course Description: Intermediate Band is the second level of the band program at Lane Tech College Prep High School. In this class students will have the opportunity to continue their musical track and have access to performing slightly more difficult music and several more performance opportunities than in Beginning Band. Students will also participate in their first solo contest held in March.

The specific aim of the band program is to enable students to communicate effectively through instrumental music and to understand and value a variety of musical and cultural expressions throughout life.

Course Objective: By participating in the Lane Tech band program, students will:

- Learn and hone basic skills such as assembly and care of their chosen instrument, proper playing posture, tone production and playing techniques for their instrument.
- Learn basic music theory and music vocabulary such as reading and understanding musical notation and symbols.
- Acquire the skills, abilities, understandings and attitudes necessary to express themselves musically as individuals and as members of an ensemble
- Perform in at least 2 Concerts
- Be able to make informed decisions both as producers and consumers of music
- Value and appreciate music from a variety of cultural and historical contexts and understand the role of music in daily life.

Prerequisite: At least 1 year of band experience

Instructional Materials: Variety of musical selections, scale

warm-ups, Bach Chorales. All will be supplied to the students

Student Materials: Students who play a reed instrument are responsible for purchasing their own reeds.

Band Attire: Girls will be choosing their dress in the 2015-16 school year. They will have the opportunity to pay for the dress through fund raising. Boys must wear, long black dress pants (not jeans), white button up dress shirt (white only), long black tie, black blazer, black dress socks and black dress shoes (no gym shoes). If a student does not have the proper attire for a performance, they will not perform and will receive the grade of a zero for their performance.

Assignments: music selections as given out by director.

Homework: Practice instrument, worksheets and vocabulary as assigned and concert/solo selections

Grading:

Daily Participation Points: 25%

In-class Assignments and Assessments 25%

Performances: 50%

Grading Scale: 91 and above=A 81-90=B 71-80=C 61-70=D Below 61=F

Formative Assessments: Performance of warm-ups and concert selections.

Summative Assessments: 5 week common course assessments; Playing tests; unit examinations; weekly vocabulary quizzes;

Attendance/ID's: It is extremely important that students attend class every day and are on time. ID's must be worn at all times

Parent/Guardian

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Students Signature and Date