

Kayhi Band Syllabus

2019-2020

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Performances:

Concert attendance is mandatory to achieve a passing grade for this class. The performances can be equated to a final exam where a teacher does not allow “make-ups” or playing for a team that only has one game per season. Please give the same consideration and dedication to your band.

Please be on time for all performances. Call time for a 7:00 concert is usually 6:00. At 6:00, you are responsible for being dressed, warmed up and ready for the concert. Students are required to stay for the entire concert. Please plan accordingly.

2019-2020 Performance Schedule:

Date	Event	Ensemble	Location
Sept. 4	Music Parent Meeting 5:30PM	All	Kayhi Library
Oct. 16	Fall Concert	WE, SB, JB	Kayhi Auditorium
Oct. 20-22	SE Honor Band/Choir (Travel)	Optional	Juneau
Nov. 21-23	All State Band/Choir (Travel)	Optional \$	Anchorage
Dec. 10	Winter Concert	WE & SB	Kayhi Auditorium
Dec. 11	Sam Pitcher Concert	JB	Kayhi Auditorium
Dec. 14	Boyer Christmas Party	JB	Ted Ferry Civic Center
TBA	Kayhi Jazz Concert in Honor of Jerry Galley	JB	Kayhi Auditorium
Feb. 6-8	Sitka Jazz Festival	JB \$	Sitka
March 31	Band Pre-Fest Concert	WE, SB, JB	Kayhi Auditorium
April 7th	Band Solo and Ensemble Concert	WE, SB, JB	Kayhi Auditorium
Apr. 16-18	Music Fest	WE, SB, JB	Sitka
May 19	Spring Concert	WE, SB,&JB	Kayhi Auditorium
May 31	Graduation	TBA	Kayhi Gym

JB=Jazz Band, WE=Wind Ensemble, SB=Symphonic Band, \$=Not Covered by Activities

Download the Remind app to receive updates for each ensemble! Text the class code to 81010

Class	Code
Wind Ensemble	@kayhiwe
Symphonic Band	@kayhisb
Jazz Band	@kayhijb
Pep Band	@kayhipb

Uniform:

Symphonic Band- Black dress shirt, black slacks/long black skirt, black socks, black dress shoes. (Also known as "Concert Black." Clothes should be completely black and conservative.)

Wind Ensemble- Uniform provided except for black dress shoes and black nylons for ladies or black dress shoes, black socks, and white tux shirt for gentlemen.

Jazz Band- Students will wear a monochromatic version of concert black (grey and white acceptable, but white may not be the dominate color of the ensemble). Men should be in a suit (slacks and jacket, but NOT a tux), white dress shirt (NOT a tux shirt), black socks (that cover your ankle), black dress shoes, and a tie of your choice. Ladies should wear slacks/mid calf length skirt, blouse, black nylons, and black shoes.

Pep Band- Pep band t-shirt. Students order their shirts in the fall. They will probably be \$10-\$15.

(At the end of the year, it is the student's responsibility to bring their uniform(s) to the drycleaners and pay to have them cleaned. Please leave your receipt on the uniform from the drycleaners when turning it in. Cost is approximately \$20)

Parent Meeting

A music department parent meeting will be held in the Kayhi Library at **5:30 on Wednesday September 4th**. We will be discussing various events upcoming this school year including concerts, fundraisers, and travel.

Grading:

Quarter Grades:

Weekly Participation: 40%

Performances: 40%

Playing Tests/Quizzes: 20%

Semester Grades:

First Quarter: 42.5%

Second Quarter: 42.5%

Semester Final: 15%

Weekly Participation:

Weekly participation will be calculated based on effort and attention in class as well as coming prepared with a pencil, your instrument, and your music. If you are absent (for any reason), you will receive a zero for the day. Students with excused absences can make-up a zero if they turn in a practice log or partake in other extra credit opportunities provided by your director.

Practice logs need to show 60 minutes of practice for every period missed. Talk to your section leader to find out what you missed so you know what to practice. Plan ahead and start logging your practice early if you are having an extended absence. Also, when you turn in your practice log, I may ask you to play something for me so I can help guide your practice. There is a limit of 10 extra credit points per quarter per ensemble.

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Obviously if any member is missing at the game, the team suffers. Over time, we will build a sound together that will be altered if the make up of the group is altered. You will be graded on participation, concert etiquette, attending the full concert, etc.

Semester Final: Information is on a separate sheet and also on web page.

Travel and Performance Day Attire

As a school sponsored activity, we want to look our best to represent the bands at Kayhi. On days when we travel or have a concert, students are expected to dress up in honor of the event and to show the pride we have in our group. Students are not expected to wear their concert uniform to school, but to “dress-up” for the day.

Playing Tests and Homework:

Every quarter I will have a playing test in Wind Ensemble and Symphonic Band, where I am able to hear each student individually and give some feedback. Sometimes we will perform for the class and at other times students will be given the opportunity record their performance for me to listen to later.

Pep Band:

The pep band is one of the most visible ways that the band program interacts with the community. This year the requirements for playing with the pep band are that you attend 75% of rehearsals and 85% of games. Once students have missed more than 25% of rehearsals or more than 15% of games, this could result in dismissal from the Pep Band. However, students can be excused from a rehearsal or performance, but this will be limited to pre-approved absences (at LEAST 1-week notice). Any turned in after that time frame will NOT count as “excused” for any reason. There is a cap on the number of students able to travel to SE basketball tournament at around twenty-four. Student’s chosen will need to pay the activities fee for music, if they have not already done so. The student’s chosen will be selected based on having the needed instrumentation, rehearsal and game attendance, knowing the music, years of service in the pep band, and involvement in the band program.

Pep Band practices will start in early November and are after school on Monday and Thursday from 3:00PM-4:00PM in the band room.

Instruments and Care of Sheet Music:

Please label your instrument case well with your name and contact information. It is also important to have the serial number of your instrument, along with brand and model number, written in some other secure place in case of theft. Make sure you use the locker lock provided by your director to keep your instrument safe while it is at school.

Sheet music and warm-up books are equated to textbooks in other classes. The sheet music in our library is very valuable and I want it to be usable for the generations of musicians to come. If there is damage to your music (pen markings included) when you receive it please bring it to my attention so that you will not be charged at the end of the school year. For any piece of sheet music that is not returned at the end of the school year or is damaged the student will be assessed a fine. Larger books, such as warm-up books I hand out, could cost more to replace.

Lettering in Band:

The following criteria must be met in order to receive a KAYHI letter award (or pin) in Symphonic Band or Wind Ensemble:

1. Participate in all required performances
2. Achieve a grade of 85% or higher at the end of 1st semester and 3rd quarter
3. Display a positive attitude toward the other band members and support activities of the group
4. Must have Band Directors recommendation
5. Accumulate 500 points from the following extra activities:

Activity	Details	Points
All State Band	Audition	50
	Selection and Participation	100
SE Honor Band	Audition	50
	Selection and Participation	100
All Northwest (when applicable)	Audition	50
	Selection and Participation	100
Music Fest Solo/Ensemble	Festival Performance	50
	Superior Rating	25
	Command Performance	50
Pep Band	Attend 75% rehearsal and 85% games	100
Section Leader	(Only applicable if Director held a chair audition)	25 per quarter
Pep Band Director		25
Enrollment in more than one band		50 per semester
Private music lessons	At least 24 lessons/year (June-May)	100
Enrollment in Kayhi band previous years		50 per year
Other	Upon proposal to the director and approval	TBD

Read the syllabus on my website (www.kgbsd.org/nuss) and make sure you understand the requirements for band this year. Write our concert dates on your family calendar and your own planner. Plan in advance for the impact that concerts might have on your schedule. Ask any questions that you might have. Sign this paper and turn it in by Friday, September 6th for full credit.

PLEASE PRINT

Student Name _____

Student Signature _____

Parent Name _____

Parent Signature _____

*** Please don't forget to attend our music meeting for parents on Wednesday September 4th at 5:30 in the Kayhi Library**