

Grading Procedures Jazz Ensemble

Daily Assessments - 30%

- Students must have their instrument or sticks and mallets, reeds, music, and pencil daily.
- Students must be on time to class, follow all classroom rules and remain on task during the entire class period.
- Students must never come into class with gum, food, or drinks. These items are strictly prohibited in the Band Room, and hamper the progress of a performing ensemble.
- Students must come to class prepared, having practiced the appropriate passages and ready to perform their best. Notes and rhythms are to be learned at home so that music can be made during class.
- This category will include pencil checks, notebook checks

Group Performance - 25%

- As stated earlier, performances are mandatory. All students are expected to be in attendance and appropriately dressed for all performances, unless excused by the director. Only illness and family emergency will constitute an excused absence. ***In the event of an excused absence, the student will be required to make up the absence through a written assignment by a said due date, both determined by the director. Not all absences will be excused. Unexcused absences will not have the option for the make-up assignment.***
- Grading periods that do not include a performance will see this percentage divided among the other categories.

Individual Performance Assessments 25%

- Students will have individual playing tests/responsibilities each nine weeks. You will be able to work at your own pace during the nine weeks as long as all items are learned by the end of the nine weeks.

Journal 20%

Students will keep a homework/listening journal. Students will be expected to listen to jazz examples on their own and keep a journal of what/who/response for this class.