



Rocket Band

2014-2015 Syllabus

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Daily Procedure

1. Bring all required materials to your chair:
 - a. Instrument
 - b. Music
 - c. Pencil
 - d. Positive Attitude!

Failure to bring these materials will result in a loss of daily participation points. No exceptions!

2. Be on time to class, which means you are in your assigned seat when the bell rings.
3. Be prepared to remain in class (take care of trips to the bathroom and water fountain during passing time).
4. Treat all students and teachers with respect.
5. Stay on task throughout rehearsal.
6. After rehearsal, clean up all of your materials, including the area around your chair.

Expectations

1. Use pianos only with permission, and never handle another student's instrument.
2. Food & drink are prohibited in the band & choir room, as they can do major damage to equipment.
3. Keep yourself informed of all dates and deadlines.
4. Take care of your music and other school equipment – it is the property of Endeavor Middle School and you will be held financially responsible for losses or damages.
5. Attend each rehearsal with a positive attitude about the task at hand – making music!

Attendance

In performance ensembles, every member of the group is vital to the group's success, whether in rehearsal or in concert. Please follow the following attendance guidelines:

1. It is the student's responsibility to contact the director at least one week before an excused absence from a dress rehearsal or concert. A full tentative calendar will be available the first day of the school year.
2. All excused absences and tardies must be accompanied by a note from a parent.
3. Students are responsible to make up any missed class work.
4. Unexcused absences from dress rehearsals and concerts cannot be made up and will affect your grade (see grading policy).

Grading

Rocket band members will be graded on the following:

Performances: 25% (see concert attendance policy above)

- Concerts: 100 points
- Rehearsals: 50 points
- Other Performances (field trips, etc.): 50 points

Participation: 25%

- 5 points available per class period
- Daily Points may be lost for the following:
 - Not ready to start class
 - Lack of Participation
 - Talking
 - Food/Soda/Gum in class
 - Failure to bring required materials
- Daily points may not be earned back

Class Work and Homework: 25%

- Practice Logs: Each student is required to practice a total of 60 minutes per week. This is equivalent to 10 minutes per day, with one day off. The student must record the number of minutes practiced each day. A parent or guardian signature is required in order for the student to receive credit.
- In-Class Activities

Assessments: 25%

- Written assessments
- Performance assessments

Grades will be awarded on the following scale:

A = 90-100% B = 80-89% C = 70-79% D = 60-69% F = 59% and below

Concert Dress

Concert dress for 2014-2015 will consist of the following;

Boys: Black Dress Top (Polo, Button Up Shirt)
Black Dress Bottom (Dress Slacks)
Black Shoes

Girls: Black Dress Top (Polo, Button Up Shirt, Blouse)
Black Dress Bottoms (Slacks, Skirt)
Black Shoes

2014-2015 Rocket Band Student Info

Please print legibly and return to Mr. Hibbert

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____

Home Phone: _____

Father's E-mail: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Mother's E-mail: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Would it be okay for Mr. Hibbert to periodically contact you regarding upcoming events involving your student via email?

___ YES

___ NO

I have read and am aware of the policies in the Rocket Band Syllabus which consist of:

- *Daily Procedure
- *Expectations
- *Attendance
- *Grading
- *Concert Dress

Parent Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date