

Stanhope Elmore High School

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Course Objectives

- To receive instruction in proper playing posture through demonstration and explanation.
- To achieve proper tone production with emphasis on attacking, sustaining, and releasing through proper breath control and articulation.
- To develop recognition of a variety of rhythmic patterns through clapping playing and use of subdividing to interpret and read music accurately.
- To develop sight reading proficiency by use of rhythm patterns, method books, music theory and a wide range of sight reading materials.
- To use proper hand position, embouchure, and finger positions.
- Be advised on the proper selection of mouthpieces, reeds, drumsticks, and quality instruments.
- Be evaluated periodically by listening to assigned exercises or compositions or through written tests and public performances and evaluation festivals.
- Be exposed to various performance practices relative to band, orchestra, and other musical groups.
- To visually portray the emotion of the music as it is incorporated into performances (auxiliary team).

Behavior Policy

Guidelines

1. Be punctual.
2. Be prepared.
3. Be respectful.
4. Refrain from eating and drinking in the classroom.

Consequences

1. Warning
2. Step One on Behavior Management Form
3. Step Two on Behavior Management Form and Parent Notification
4. Step Three on Behavior Management Form*
5. Office referral

(Disciplinary Class A offenses will be handled with the step form. All other offenses will be written on an Office Referral.)

Attendance Policy

Band is a **performance – based class**. In order to meet the class objectives, the band will perform throughout the school year. Students are required to be at each performance unless the student has an excused absence in accordance with the Elmore County Board of Education Attendance Policy. Each performance will be graded. See Grading Policy for more information.

Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday are after school Marching Band Rehearsals from 3:15pm until 5:00pm. Students are required to be at all rehearsals unless the absence is excused in accordance with the Elmore County Board of Education Attendance Policy. The director will notify the students of any cancelled rehearsals prior to the end of school. Parents are responsible for students' transportation following all rehearsals. The director may choose to reduce the number of days of after school rehearsal per week as the football season progresses.

Required Materials and Supplies

Students must purchase their own mouthpieces, reeds, neck straps, and other accessories relative to the upkeep of their instrument.

Grading Policy

The grading scale follows the school and county guidelines on the grading scale. (A 100-90, B 89-80, C 79-70, D 69-60, F 59 and below)

Each nine weeks grade will consist of:

60% Major Grades (Daily Class Performance, Concerts, etc.)

40% Minor Grades (Pass-Offs, Projects, etc.)

The final grade will be calculated in the following manner:

40% First semester grade

10% Mid-term Exam

40% Second semester grade

10% Final Exam

All students will be required to attend and participate in the end of semester concert. Students whose grade average and attendance does not meet the Elmore County Board of Education exemption policy will be required to take a written exam.

Class Fee

NON-Marching Band Members - \$30.00

Marching Band Members - \$300.00

Fees will go to the purchasing new music, purchasing new instruments, travel expenses, contest/performance expenses.

Checks can be made out to **SEHS** and paid no later than **September 29th, 2023**

Performance Dress

Marching Band

Band Shirt

Black Athletic shorts – worn under the band uniform

Black Bibbers

Band Jacket

Shako

Black Socks

Concert Band Attire

Students will provide black dress shoes and black dress socks. The school will provide the concert attire for all students in concert band.