# Advanced Band Syllabus 

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## General Information

## Description

This course is only open to students who have demonstrated the ability to perform more difficult music. Instrumentation is a consideration when selecting students for Advanced Band. Additionally, students considered for Advanced Band placement must have a proven record of reliability and good conduct. The skills learned in Beginning and Intermediate Band are further refined in Advanced Band and additional scales/rudiments and more difficult exercises are learned. Musical selections for Advanced Band consist of students playing individualized parts that blend with the rest of the band to create more advanced music. Because of the nature of the music students must be willing to work hard to stay in Advanced Band. Private lessons are encouraged but not required for Advanced Band students.

## Required Materials

- 3 Ring Binder
- Pencil
- Instrument
- Essential Elements Book 2
- Wire Music Stand (for practicing at home)


## Performances

Advanced Band students participate in rehearsals as well as concerts. Students are required to attend and perform in the Winter (December) and Spring (May) Concerts, Mobile County Band Assessment, pep-rally's, and other performances as needed including some home sponsored sports events. Students are required to audition for the Mobile County Honor Band, and are encouraged to audition for The All State Band and the District VII Solo and Ensemble Festival.

## Uniform

Students will wear their band T-shirt with school uniform grey slacks/black slacks or floor length black skirt for Winter and Spring Concerts. Students will wear the school uniform with the white shirt to MCPSS Music Performance Assessment.

## Fee

The band fee is $\$ 75$. The band fee covers the cost of the band T-shirt and goes towards the purchase of concert music and other band program needs. If there are any conflicts or hardships with the band fee, please contact me directly. Payment installations can be arranged if necessary.

Grading Policy
Major Tests and Performances - 60\%
Minor Tests (including classroom participation) - 40\%

