



Onward & Upward! A Commitment to Excellence.

Expectation Sheet

As we begin a new year, it is important that we have clear-cut expectations. Yes, I expect you to be successful, and the tradition of the program exudes nothing but success. However, with these high expectations come many policies and procedures that help us become effective members of the team. I am here to help you, so I am not going to allow you to do anything that would interfere with the success of the group. So that we can have a successful working relationship, the following rules are set forth.

Tardiness for Marching Band

Roll will be taken for marching band five minutes before the start of practice. At two minutes before practice, the band will march from the band room to the field. When the band arrives at the field, a representative of student leadership will record any tardies.

Rule: Do not be tardy to marching band rehearsals.

Consequence: Missed time will be made up immediately following rehearsal with running for every minute late. If you are more than 15 minutes late, you must submit a note from a parent or it will count as an absence from rehearsal (see marching band absence).

Tardiness for Class / After School Rehearsals (Concert Band)

Roll will be taken promptly at the beginning of rehearsal.

Rule: Do not be tardy to concert band rehearsals.

Consequence: Consult the school tardy policy. See the handbook for no show policy.

Absences

If the school will excuse it, we will excuse it – otherwise, it is unexcused. Everyone is a valuable member of the team and needs to be present and on time!

Gum Chewing / Eating-Drinking in Band Room

Rule: Do not chew gum at any band function that involves playing your instrument, e.g., a rehearsal, performance, game, or any other time you are in uniform or in the band room. There is absolutely NO Food or Drink allowed in the Band Room at any time.

Consequence: Detention will be served before school (7:45am) for the first two violations. On the third violation, the student will be written up and turned over to school administration for a discipline infraction.

Cell Phones

Rule: Absolutely No Cell Phones should be out or seen during rehearsal or class.

Consequence: Student will receive one (1) warning and be asked to put the phone away. If the student has another violation or refuses, he/she will be written up and turned over to school administration for a discipline infraction. Student will be dismissed from rehearsal and parents will be contacted.

Horseplay

Rule: Do not use the bandroom facility as a playroom. Horseplay will not be tolerated in the bandroom.

Consequence: Detention will be served before school (7:45am) for the first violation. On the second violation, the student will be written up and turned over to school administration for a discipline infraction.

Appropriate Listening When Someone Else Is Talking

It is expected that when a staff member is talking you address him or her with your eyes and with full attention. We believe you should have enough self-respect that you would honor this request.

Inappropriate Talking

When a staff member is talking, you should not be talking. If another student talks to you at an inappropriate time, don't respond. He or she will get the message! Although this is an expectation, an inability to comprehend this concept will result in a consequence commensurate with the frequency of talking.

Saying Thank You

It is expected that when you encounter deeds of goodness you will say thank you. People you should thank could include chaperones, student leaders, other members of the group, bus drivers, staff members, teachers, principals, and parents.

Procedures

Procedures are how we do things. They are not rules and not have consequences. This is just the way we do it.

Beginning class	After three claps of the hand, the class is silent.
Leaving your seat	Raise your hand and ask for permission.
Using the phone/cell phone	Ask for permission.
Entering the classroom	Go directly to instrument/music/seat/warm-up
Class dismissal	Wait for the teacher to dismiss, not the bell.
Asking a question	Raise your hand.
Responding to questions	Raise your hand.
Band Lockers	Use your assigned locker only. Keep it neat and orderly.
Passing in papers or music	Pass to the right.
Turning in Money / Fundraising	All money goes in the band safe located in Mr. Cantrell's office.
Listening to PA announcements	Everyone should freeze and be absolutely quiet.
Announcements	Check the board; this is done at the beginning of class.
Getting help	Ask the teacher, and he will set up a help session.
Practicing	Structured, daily practice (see handbook).
Tearing down the band set	Last group put your chairs and stands away.
Entering the Band Office	Please knock before entering

I have read, understand, and will comply with all rules and procedures. I believe that we are all responsible for making rehearsals run smoothly. I am willing to do my part!

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date