

# Crandall Middle School Band Syllabus

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### **Philosophy**

The instrumental music program at Crandall Middle School is based on excellence. Members strive for excellence in group and individual performance. The utmost standard is held in our conduct and academic standings as well as our leadership and reputation as a campus organization. The end result of our program is more than great musicians. We desire to produce well-rounded students who can apply the concepts of discipline, teamwork and leadership in a wide cross-section of their lives for years to come.

#### Materials

- Instrument
- Music/Book
- Pencil
- All needed accessories

## Classroom Expectations

- Enter the room and prepare for class
- Check the board for instructions
- Take care of personal needs after preparing for class
- Be in your seat, ready to go, before the timer ends

# **Grading Policy**

Students are expected to have all equipment and materials necessary for quality playing available daily in class. This equipment includes but is not limited to instruments, music, mouthpieces, reeds, oil and grease. Exceptions will be made when instruments are being repaired.

Students are expected to participate fully in rehearsal.

Alternate assignments may be given when instruments are being repaired or when an injury prevents participation.

Daily Grades – Students will be given two daily grades per week. One daily grade will be based on equipment and materials. The other daily grade will be based on participation and performance. The grades will be based on the cumulative results for the week.

Test Grades – Students will be given three tests per grading period. Tests will be based on information we cover in class, and advanced notice will be given to students.

Performance Grades – Students will earn a double-weighted test grade for performances. When academic eligibility affects student participation in a performance, an alternate assignment will be given.

Quizzes – Quizzes may be given at the discretion of the director. Quizzes are to be counted as a daily grade.

Other Grades – Directors may add additional assignments throughout each grading period.