



HARRISON HIGH SCHOOL *Orchestra*

Orchestra Syllabus

Fall 2016

Grading Policy

Skills and Techniques/Performance	<u>50%</u>
Creation	<u>10%</u>
Critical Analysis/Investigate	<u>15%</u>
Cultural and Historical Context	<u>10%</u>
Final Exam	<u>15%</u>

Make Up Policy

Students are responsible for all material covered in class, including announcements, tests, performance assessments, homework, and music rehearsed. It is the responsibility of the student to make an appointment with the director to make up the class time missed due to an absence. The make up time/assignments must be made up within 7 days of the absence. In the event of a suspension, school policies will apply.

Demonstrating Skills and Techniques

Students will begin each day of class with 20 points. Points will be deducted if the student chooses to not fully participate in the day's activities. Participation includes being prepared for class with instrument, music, accessories, pencil, and paper as well as various other factors.

A participation grade will be posted each week worth up to 100 points.

Daily participation in class, as well as concert participation will be a major consideration when students are auditioning for solos, extracurricular activities, section leader positions, and advanced groups.

If a student is absent from school, they will receive all of their daily points if the school excuses the absence, and a zero for the day if the absence is unexcused by the school.

School field trips will be considered excused absences.

Classroom Expectations

Students are expected to be prepared for class. This includes practicing everyday, and having all materials for class.

Students are expected to read the orchestra handbook as they are responsible for the content.

Be on time to class – school tardy policy will apply.

Make up all missed work in the 7 day grace period.

Come in to class quietly and prepare for class by getting out your instrument and music in a *timely* manner.

Stay in your seat until the teacher dismisses the class, not when the bell rings.

No food or drink allowed in the orchestra room, except for water.

Other expectations will be discussed and agreed upon by the class.

Concerts are required and the dates are posted in August and should be planned around.

Performance Assessments

Performance Assessments will be done both live and recorded. You will be graded on a rubric for both. The recorded assessments will be done on an iPad or through Charms. For more information see the grading policy.

Tardies

At the tardy bell, teachers will close their doors. No student will be admitted without a pass. If a student is tardy, he or she should go to Admin 2 or 4 to get a tardy slip pass that will either be stamped excused or un-excused on a case by case basis.

Grading Scale

A: 90-100 B: 80-89 C: 74-79 D: 70-73 F: 69 and below

Academic dishonesty will result in a failure.



Sign and return to Mrs. Baddock by Friday, August 5, 2016.

I have read and understand that I am responsible for everything in the Orchestra Syllabus.

Print Student Name

Sign Student Name

I have read and understand that my student is responsible for everything in the Orchestra Syllabus.

Print Parent/Guardian Name

Sign Parent/ Guardian Name