

2014-2015 Symphonic Wind Ensemble Syllabus

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Overview

The wind ensemble is a performance group that performs several times throughout the school year. Such performances include all home football games, Music In Motion, winter concert, spring concert, memorial day parades, evening of the arts, POPS and graduation. The wind ensemble may also perform at adjudication. This group will perform a varied repertoire of music ranging from grade three selections to grade six selections. Students in wind ensemble may also elect to try out for jazz band and/or the CMEA southern region band. Any student who elects to try out and participate in these groups will receive extra credit.

Expectations

Rehearsals and performances are **mandatory**. Students are expected to be on time and prepared for class and Music In Motion rehearsal. This includes having your music, instrument and a pencil. Attendance at all performances including football games is **mandatory**. The final performance of the year is graduation. Graduation is part of our final exam and students are expected to be there in order to receive full credit for the year.

Attendance Policy

See page 29-33 of the student handbook. This can be found at www.amityregion5.org under Resources, Students/Parents, Student Handbook.

Grading

34% of your grade will be based on assessments and performances. Various formative and summative assessments will be administered throughout this course.

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33% of your grade will be based on attendance. This includes regular class time as well Music In Motion rehearsals. Students are expected to attend every class and Music In Motion rehearsal. Students are also expected to be on time to every class and Music In Motion rehearsal. Missed rehearsals/performances will have an impact on your grade. Excused absences will only occur in emergency situations and a signed note must be submitted from a parent or guardian.

33% Preparation. Students are expected to be prepared for every rehearsal and performance. This requires students to have their instrument, music and a pencil for

notes during class. Students are also required to practice their instrument at least five times a week. This also requires students to have the proper dress for all performances.