

Abbott Band Grading Policy

Band will be using Standards Based Grading. All grading will be based on the National Core Arts Standards. The standards are Creating, Presenting, Responding, and Connecting.

Creating

Class participation, practicing, written work

- Having all materials (instrument, music, folder, pencil) for class.
- Being prepared to play the music.
 - Students should be practicing approximately 100 minutes per week outside of class.
- Using proper rehearsal etiquette.
 - No talking out of turn, paying attention, and being kind to others.
- Attending the scheduled sectional each week.
 - Sectionals are a required part of the U46 Instrumental Curriculum. A rotating schedule will be set up so students do not miss the same class period each week.

4 Mastery	Student has all materials. Written work is done correctly and additional notes are taken as needed. Student takes instrument home frequently to practice. Rehearsal etiquette is always followed.
3 Proficient	Student has all materials. Written work is done correctly. Student takes instrument home the minimum amount to practice. Rehearsal etiquette is followed most of the time.
2 Basic	Student is missing materials one or two days. Written work is incomplete or incorrect. Student rarely takes instrument home to practice. Rehearsal etiquette is followed sometimes.
1 Below Basic	Student does not have materials. Written work is incomplete or incorrect. Student rarely takes instrument home to practice. Rehearsal etiquette is not followed consistently.
0 No evidence	Student does not have materials. Written work is not done. Student does not take instrument home to practice. Rehearsal etiquette is not followed.

Presenting (Performing)

Playing tests, concerts

- All playing tests will be done in sectionals. Most will be announced in advance, but there will be some surprise playing tests throughout the year as well.
 - Any student who misses a playing test will have two days to schedule a make-up time.
- Students are to attend all scheduled concerts per the U46 Concert Attendance Policy. Students who miss a concert must make up the alternate assignment within one week.

4 Mastery	Playing test is performed with no mistakes. Student attends concert and uses proper concert etiquette.
3 Proficient	Playing test is performed with minimal mistakes. Student attends concert or completes make-up assignment fully.
2 Basic	Playing test is performed with several mistakes. Student displays poor concert etiquette or make-up assignment is poorly done.
1 Below Basic	Playing test is performed with mostly mistakes. Student displays extremely poor concert etiquette or make-up assignment is incomplete.
0 No evidence	Playing test is not done. Student disrupts the concert or make-up assignment is not done.

Responding and Connecting

Written work

- Various written assignments will be assigned throughout the school year. These will include concert reflection essays, vocabulary worksheets, music theory assignments, and music history assignments.

Contact Information

If you have questions or concerns at any time, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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