

Farwell Area Schools Instrumental Music High School Symphonic Band : 2017-2018

Course Syllabus

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Symphonic Band are to provide a large instrumental ensemble for students to experience all aspects relative to the performance of varying levels of band music. New, as well as standard repertoire of artistic and educational natures will be performed by this ensemble. The Symphonic Band will also be called the Marching Eagles for any marching events and will actively perform at football games, marching invitational and parades. Members of the Symphonic Band will also make up the Eagle Pep Band for some of the home basketball games, this will be on a volunteer basis.

PHILOSOPHY: Band is intended to foster teamwork, perseverance, time management, responsibility, commitment, and pride and to have fun. The main goal is not to win 1st place trophies or bragging rights to the best band in the state; but rather, to grow as an individual and by working together with others to achieve a common goal. For every little task we accomplish, it brings us closer to our main goal. It is the process that we must go through in order for us to reach our goals and in turn become successful. Success is not measured by the amount of points you score or awards you receive; success is what you have gained through the experience you have encountered during the process. Overcoming adversity and challenges will make you a stronger and better person. By the time school is over, you will have learned a lot more about yourself as well as others.

CLASS EXPECTATIONS

Students are to:

1. Have a positive attitude
2. Be prompt in attendance for rehearsals & programs.
3. Give 100%
4. Treat others as you would like to be treated.
5. Read and play music with insight and expression.

ATTENDANCE

Students are expected to attend all performances and required, extra rehearsals. Any absences that are warranted are to be discussed with the director at least two weeks in advance. Material to make up that grade will be turned in within one week of the performance date or an un-excused absence will be given. If the absence is due to family or personal emergency, then the student is required to speak with the director as soon as possible (CALL Mr. Shimmons before the event).