

McAdams Junior High Band Syllabus

Dear Band Students and Parents,

Welcome to the 2020–21 school year at McAdams Junior High! We hope that you have had a wonderful summer and are ready for a great year. The band program will teach students music through wind and percussion instruments. We will accomplish this through daily instruction, practice, and performance. In addition to musicianship, students will develop teamwork, citizenship, leadership, and responsibility. These skills will help prepare students for success in their daily lives.

Band Hall Rules (The Gator Way)

1. When the teacher is talking, you're not. (Be Respectful)
2. Only band students are allowed in the band hall. (Be Responsible)
3. Students may practice before/after school – but no loitering. (Be Involved)
4. No food or drink in the band hall. (This includes gum!) (Be Responsible)
5. Treat others and all band hall equipment with respect. (Be Respectful)

Consequences

The Band Department will follow all disciplinary rules and procedures directed by the school district. The McAdams Band program will use “The Gator Way” program to help encourage students to participate correctly and to help facilitate the learning process. Please read and familiarize yourself and with the consequences for each step.

- Step one: Verbal warning
- Step two: Verbal warning/Teacher to student conference (documented).
- Step three: Parent contact (documented).
- Step four: Automatic office referral
- Any major offense is an automatic office referral.

Grading Policy

Grades are averaged each nine weeks based on the following criteria:

- **Participation:** Participation is bringing required materials to class, demonstrating proper rehearsal skills and spot-checks for equipment or music. (Formative Grade)
- **Homework:** The student will be given assignments each week and will submit completed work into their Google Classroom. (Formative and Summative Grades)
- **Performances:** Count as major test grades. Criteria will consist of quality of effort within musical performance and exhibition of proper performance etiquette. Band members are expected to participate in every performance. (Summative Grade)
- **Sectionals:** Students will be required to attend after-school sectionals at certain times during the year. Students will be given at least 2 weeks' notice before the required sectional. (Formative Grade)

Materials

[Click Here](#) for a list of required items.

Uniform

Girls	<u>Honors</u> Blue dress (issued) Solid black dress flat shoes Pearls (provided) Hair accessories – black only Earrings – stud only, 1 pair Natural or French nails only	<u>Symphonic</u> Black dress slacks Tuxedo shirt (white) Bow tie & Vest (issued) Solid black socks Solid black dress flat shoes Hair accessories – black only Earrings – stud only, 1 pair Natural or French nails only	<u>Concert & Beginner Band</u> Black dress slacks Blue Polo – Band Shirt Solid black socks Solid black dress flat shoes Hair accessories – black only Earrings – stud only, 1 pair Natural or French nails only
	<u>Honors</u> Black dress slacks Black tuxedo (issued) Bow Tie/Cummerbund (issued) Tuxedo shirt (white) Solid black dress shoes Solid black socks No Earrings at performances	<u>Symphonic</u> Black dress slacks Tuxedo shirt (white) Bow tie & Vest (issued) Solid black dress shoes Solid black socks No Earrings at performances	<u>Concert & Beginner Band</u> Black dress slacks Blue Polo – Band Shirt Solid black dress shoes Solid black socks No Earrings at performances

**If there is a problem in obtaining any part of the uniform please let us know, in writing, before the first concert. We will be happy to help your child obtain any items needed.

Band Calendar

[Click Here](#) to view/print calendar

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