## **McAdams Band Practice Record Contract**

The Dickinson Band Program is known across the state and country for its superb work ethic, and thus, very high level of playing. One of the factors that helps keep our quality high is the turning in of practice records. This process allows us to keep watch over how much the students are practicing while also keeping the students accountable for their practice. Practice records are due <u>every</u> Wednesday until the last week of school. Unless given a different format by the teacher, the format for practice records should match that at the bottom of the page. Grades for practice records are based on how many minutes are practiced each week. Practice records not including a total amount of minutes will lose ten (10) points. Practice records may be turned in late within the week they are due. Each day the practice record is late, the grade is reduced by ten (10) points (ex. 1 day late = -10, 2 days = -20, etc). Practice Records not turned in the week they are due receive a zero. Also, practice records without a parent signature will not be accepted.

We like to do something every year as a reward to all of the students for their hard work. Part of the students earning this is the turning in of practice records. Students must turn in practice records if they wish to participate in our reward events. Zeros on practice records can be made up by going to any music concert. We will have one practice record reward event per nine weeks. Each nine weeks we will start over on counting practice records. Our reward events are listed on the band's calendar.

Our hope in requiring practice records is to teach personal responsibility to the students. Parental support and reminding will perhaps be the number one factor in helping the student to learn this, so your help is greatly appreciated. **Please sign and return the bottom portion of this contract and keep the top for reference.** 

Week	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Total	Parent's Signature

<b>Minutes Practiced</b>	<u>Grad</u>		
210+	100		
180-209	90		
150-179	80		
120-149	70		
90-119	60		
60-89	50		
30-59	40		
< 30	5		

Practice Record Grades					
<u>Week</u>	Wed Thur Fri	<b>Grade</b>			
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
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I	have read	and	understand	l this	Practice	Record	Contract

Parent Signature X	Student Signature	X