

## EVHS Bands Course Syllabus

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Introduction: Welcome to the EVHS band. The following is provided for your information and is representative of the responsibilities and expectations of each band student. These responsibilities and expectations are critical to insuring the musical development of each student, maintaining high performance standards, and sustaining cohesion within the bands. I feel that the following expectations are reasonable and most will have no problem achieving them. As an active member in the EVHS band program the student is responsible for meeting all of the requirements stated by the EVHS Code of Conduct, the Program of Studies and this syllabus.

### Materials:

Students are required to provide their own instrument and reeds and be responsible for them unless otherwise stated. If a problem arises with your instrument I will look at it before you spend money to fix it. If I can not fix it I will find someone who can.

### Rehearsals and Performances:

**Marching Band** will have Monday night rehearsals, 7 – 9 p.m., throughout the Fall Semester with the exception of holidays. See the Tentative EVHS Band Calendar for performances.

**Concert Band** will have Monday night rehearsals, 7 – 9 p.m., on the two Monday nights prior to each performance (see the Tentative EVHS Band Calendar) with the exception of holidays.

Students are responsible for their own *timely* transportation to and from all rehearsals and performances unless otherwise stated. I have a family at home and we appreciate those who adhere to this. Students are expected to arrive *before* stated times and participate fully during all rehearsals and performances.

### Excuses:

If a student must miss a rehearsal or performance, a **written** excuse must be signed by a parent/guardian and submitted to Mr. Roach at least **two weeks** prior to the rehearsal or performance. Unforeseen events, such as sudden personal injury or death in the family, generally will be excused and dealt with on an individual basis.

### Grading:

Each student begins the academic year with a “100.” Most students will maintain that grade throughout the year. Since each student’s presence is critical not only to their own success but also the overall success of the bands, unexcused absences to rehearsals and/or performances will be graded in the following manner:

Unexcused absence to a rehearsal: Grade is reduced by one letter.

Unexcused absence to a performance: Grade is reduced by two letters.