

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this handbook is to establish guidelines and procedures for a successful music program at Little River JR/Sr High School.

Each musician will be familiar with the contents of this handbook and the requirements within.

Each class will experience a wide range of repertoire and develop skills that benefit the group in which they perform.(1)

Classroom Policies & Procedures

1. Enter the classroom in an orderly manner.
2. Be in your seat with instrument and music when the bell rings. Bring pencil to rehearsal daily.
3. Gum, candy, etc. will not be allowed in class.
4. Swearing, cruel teasing, rude gestures, and put-downs is not allowed.
5. Keep hands, feet and other objects to yourself
6. Students must keep instruments clean and in good playing order.
7. Rehearsals will end when the director indicates the period is over. Instruments will be stored in a proper location and students are to leave the room in an orderly manner.
8. Detentions will be assigned for infractions of "Classroom Procedure".
 - A. *Warnings need only be verbal.*
 - B. Detention shall be served within 2 days of its assignment
 - C. Detention will be served in the band room under the supervision of the director.
 - D. Failure to serve the assigned detention will result in referral to the School Office. Student referral forms will be filed on each detention assigned.

PEP BAND Procedure

1. The band will sit in the assigned seating in the bleachers.
2. No individual playing of instruments.
Percussion may play organized cheers with the cheerleaders during time outs and at other times the game is not in progress.
3. Watch the director when he is in front of the band. Be prepared to play "spirit" music as announced. "Loyal & True" will be played following each touchdown during football season.
4. Cheer with the cheerleaders and support the team. (We are the nucleus of the "pep club")
5. The band will have a break during the third quarter(FB) and will be ready to play at the quarter break. We will remain throughout the game and play the fight song after the game.
6. ALWAYS play musically. Even outside(FB) you can play in tune, with good tone quality, good attacks, and good releases. A pep band is still first and foremost a musical organization.

Heart Of America HS League Honor Band

All HS band members are eligible to be nominated for the HOA League Honor Band. This activity takes place in November at a designated league school with students from all of the league schools chosen to form a balanced band to rehearse and perform under the baton of a guest conductor. If you are interested in this activity please contact your director for further information.

KMEA South Central District Activities

All HS band members are encouraged to obtain copies of the audition material from the director and prepare the music for the District Auditions. The auditions are live on Saturday, Nov.

5, 2006 Students selected through the audition process will perform on December 3rd. Those selected will also have the opportunity to audition (Jan 7, in Salina) for the Statewide Festival Band that will spend three days of intense rehearsal in Wichita, February 23, 24 & 25, and present a concert on the afternoon of February 25 as the closing activity of the Kansas Music Educators Association Inservice Workshop.

KSHSAA Solo and Ensemble Festivals

Students are encouraged to participate in the Kansas State High School Activities Association Solo and Ensemble Festival on Sat., April 1. To participate in this activity your director will help you select a solo or an ensemble for several of you to prepare for the festival. The solo or ensemble will be performed with an evaluation and a rating being given by a qualified music educator provided by the State. Those who receive a 1st division rating qualify for the State Solo and Ensemble festival to be held April 29 in Wichita.

Kansas Lions Band

Each summer the Lions Clubs of the State sponsor two activities for band students. A State Convention Band will meet and rehearse for the State Convention in early June. A band may also attend the International Lions Convention in July. Little River and Windom Lions Clubs will help with funding this project. Contact your director for further information early in September.

Summer Band Camps

The process of Instrumental Music Education is much improved if it a year long endeavor. There are several band camps available in the State for continued development of musicianship. Bethel College, Kansas University, Kansas State University and the High Plains Band Camp in Hays are examples of these activities. More information on these camps will be available in the spring.

Eight Man Football All Star Band

In June there is an All Star Marching Band formed to perform for the Eight Man All Star Football Game. Contact your director for further information.

**2005-2006
REDSKIN BAND
Grading System**

Performance(including FB Games)	25 pts per performance
Basketball Pep Band	10 pts per performance
Pep Rallies	5 pts per performance
Private Lessons Taken	5 pts per lesson

(With any qualified teacher)

Written Assignments	varies with assignment including reports, quizzes and tests
Playing test (optional)	25 pts maximum

Based on the following:

1. tone 5 pts
2. notes 5 pts
3. rhythm 5 pts
4. scales 5 pts

(as represented by key signature in music played)

5. phrasing & articulation 5 pts

Practice time reported with parent signature 6 per wk
(one hour per week required)

Daily Attendance 1 pts per day

POINT DEDUCTIONS

Failure to pass instrument inspection	5 pts
Not being prepared for rehearsal (no inst., no music)	1 pts
Not being prepared for performance (no inst., no music, reporting late)	20 pts.

Each nine weeks grade is built from zero. Activities in which you participate accumulate the points for your grade during that grading period.

Possible points during the nine weeks is determined by the number of activities in which the band is involved during the grading period. **(6pts per week practice required)**

The student attending all performances, handing in all written assignments(corrected if necessary), missing no in-school (class time) rehearsals and reporting one hour practice per week will receive an A for that nine week period.

**2005-2006
Performance Dates**

September 2	Friday	Home Football - Goessel
September 9	Friday	Home Football - Fairfield
September 30	Friday	Home Football-Lucas-Luray
October 7	Friday	Home Football-Burrton Homecoming
October 14	Friday	Home Football -Tescott Parents Night
November 7	Monday	HOA League Honor Band
November 5	Saturday	SCKMEA Auditions & Middle School Honor Band
December 2	Friday	Home BB - Trinity
December 3	Saturday	SCKMEA HS Honor Band
December 9	Friday	Home BB - Lyons
December 12	Monday	Winter Concert
December 13	Tuesday	Home BB - Remington
December 20	Tuesday	Home BB - St. John
January 13	Fri	Home BB - Peabody
January 20	Fri	Girls Home BB - Goessel
January 27	Friday	Boys Home BB - Goessel
February 7	Tuesday	Home BB -Sedgwick
February 10	Friday	Home BB - Berean Acad.
February 14	Tues	Home BB - Bennington
March 7	Tuesday	HOA JHS Music Festival @Little River
March 8-11	Wed-Sat	State BB Tournament
April 1	Saturday	Regional Solo & Ensemble Festival
April 12	Wednesday	State Music Festival Band & Choir
April 29	Saturday	State Solo & Ensemble Festival
May 12	Friday	McPherson May Day
May 18	Thursday	Spring Concert
May 21	Sunday	Graduation
May 23	Tuesday	8th Grade Awards & Rec.

(Additional dates may be added)

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