

Grading for Band 2010-2011

Grading for band class is based on points. Students receive points by attending the performances, through their weekly quizzes, and a selection of projects for the 1st and 3rd quarters. Because of the variety of performance and quizzes, each quarter's grade is somewhat different. The percentages are approximately:

First Quarter

40% Performances
30% Quizzes
30% Projects

Second Quarter

70% Performances
30% Quizzes

Third Quarter

45% Performances
30% Quizzes
25% Project

Fourth Quarter

65% Performances
35% Quizzes

The "Projects" list (40 points each)

1. Attend a concert, recital, or even a musical. Hand in a program from it and a one-page, typed report.
Include in the report:
 - Date and time you attended
 - Your favorite piece from the concert
 - Why it is your favorite piece

2. Write a three page, double spaced report on a musical composer of a piece of music we are playing.
Include in the report:
 - Major works that he/she composed,
 - Birth date and when died (if applicable)
 - What style of music he/she composed (like Romantic, or Baroque, etc.).
 - What the composer's contribution was to the music world (for instance, if he/she was the first to do something)
 - Anything of note about his/her piece of music we are playing.

3. Write a three page, double spaced review of a CD that you have. Include:
 - Information about the group/performer.
 - What kind of music it is (rap, pop rock, classical, etc.).
 - Date the CD was released
 - What your favorite track is from the CD
 - Why that track is your favorite
 - What track you like the least & why
 - How the words (if there are any) stand up to Philippians 4:8

4. Play for church. This you have to organize yourself. Talk to your organist and/or pastor to see what you might be able to do. Once you have done it, write a one page, typed report. Include:
 - What you did
 - How it added to worship
 - How you liked doing it
 - Include the bulletin from that service if possible.
 - Have the organist or your pastor sign the report.

5. Play a solo or play in a group at IHSA (Illinois High School Association) Solo/Ensemble Music Contest. This will be held March 5, 2011. See Pastor Italiano for rules and possible music. (Because of the date, this can only be done for the third quarter.) If you decide to do this, the deadline to decide is January 11, 2011.

6. Play all the music for an upcoming concert. This must be done outside of band practice (before or after school.) And it has to be done at least 1 week prior to the performance.

7. Make a poster based on a composer or piece of music we are playing. This must be on poster board (not a regular piece of paper). This also must be artistic – no stick men....

8. Do a year-round “job” for Pastor Italiano: librarian or set up/take down person.
 - Librarian is responsible for tracking, collecting, and organizing the music.
 - Set up/take down person is responsible for helping Pastor set up before and taking down after performances. Both “jobs” will receive their 40 point credit during the 3rd quarter.

9. Other? If you have an idea, talk to me. I’ll most likely say, “Go for it!”

NOTE-

Pastor Italiano has “bonus” points he can give for helping out with set-up for concerts, good behavior, etc. He also has points he can take away for bad behavior during practice.

Deadlines

First Quarter projects are due Tuesday, October 19, 2010.

Third Quarter projects are due Tuesday, March 1, 2011.

Any questions?

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