

Beginner School Band Syllabus 2023-2024



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Objectives

The Bonduel Band's goal is to help students learn to understand and appreciate music through performance. We accomplish these goals through rehearsing, practicing, and performing.

Expectations

<u>Commitment</u>	to yourself, your family, and your band
<u>Communication</u>	with your teachers, your parents, and your fellow musicians
<u>Responsibility</u>	for your behavior, your learning, attentive listening, and the support and appreciation of your fellow musicians
<u>Respect</u>	for yourself, your fellow musicians, your family, your teachers, our school, and our band program

Band's General Rules

- Always fulfill your responsibilities
- Always be quiet and attentive in the classroom
- Always respect everyone's right to learn in safe, positive, and effective environment
- Always be prepared and on time
- Always treat everybody and everything in your environment with respect
- Always ask, never assume anything
- Always work to succeed settle for nothing less
- Always enjoy making music

Attendance

Every member of the Band is accountable to the group. We are an ensemble and function as a group. So, it is essential that attendance is mandatory. Daily rehearsals follow regular classroom attendance policies. However, performances have an unquestionable attendance policy. The only excused situations are severe illness or family emergencies. Mr. Treptow is to be notified as soon as possible in all circumstances by a parent/guardian (please call **715 758-4850 ext. 521** and leave a message or email at treptim@bonduel.k12.wi.us). An alternate activity will be provided and required for excused absences.

Calendar

You will find the Band calendars on the Band web page via the District Website at <http://www.bonduel.k12.wi.us/faculty/treptim/bandresource.cfm> . Please, mark the appropriate dates on your calendars. Exact times will always be reviewed in rehearsals and even be sent home at times if the need arises.

Grades are an accumulation of the following areas

Performance

Performances are **required**; the only excuses are those that exist in the attendance policy. Performances are the accumulation of our efforts. Absences affect the performance of the entire band. It is everyone's responsibility to attend all scheduled performances.

Positive involvement, participation, and proper preparation

Class time in band is a combination of learning new concepts and reviewing

Students are expected to:

- have their instrument and music
- to practice daily or as much as possible
- participate in class

(Uncooperative and disruptive behavior is not tolerated)

Rehearsals will operate on a point system; each rehearsal is worth 10 points. Points will be deducted if you do not meet the above expectations. Practicing, the homework for band should be taken as seriously as homework from any other class. There is no quick way to learn an instrument. It takes time, effort, and persistence.

Fulfillment of evaluation materials

- * Completion of assignments (written or performance).
- * Evaluation or test of technique of skills as an individual and group (ex. scales or technical exercises).

Instrument Care and School Property

Instrument care is your responsibility. You need to keep your instrument clean and in working condition. It is especially important to keep harmful substances out of the band room and away from your equipment (ex. gum and soda). If you do not know how to keep it clean, please ask for help. If your instrument needs repair, please consult Mr. Treptow as soon as possible to either repair or diagnose the problem.

School property will be treated with respect (rooms, furniture, computers, instruments, music, uniforms, etc.). Any property that is lost or damaged will be replaced and/or repaired at your expense (i.e., lost music, broken mouthpieces, bent valves, etc.). Also, all school owned instruments must be contracted from the music department for your use and the rental fee paid. Remember all equipment, personal and school owned, is an investment and needs to live a long and productive life. Please take care of it. In addition, remember to protect your investment further and insure all personal property for your safety.

Performance Attire

Students need to dress nicely for performances in the BES Band program. Please avoid shirts with logos, ripped clothing, anything questionable. Any confusion, please contact Mr. Treptow

Supplies

Each student needs to maintain their instrument and have the proper supplies. All needed supplies can be ordered through Instrumental Music Company or purchased at any reputable music store. Please acquire a supply list/ order form from Mr. Treptow. When ordering supplies, a completed order form and check must be turned in prior to ordering supplies (**checks made out to Instrumental Music Company**). Orders are due 8:00am Thursday mornings. Also, any orders can be made online at: <https://www.musicimc.com/>