

2018-2019 BVW SWE

Congrats on earning a spot in this ensemble! This handout will provide clarity of our goals and expectations this school year.

Our goals:

1. Something good happens every rehearsal. All members have an overall great experience in the class.
2. Something is learned every rehearsal. All members improve as an ensemble member, musician or human in some way.
3. Every performance is positive and memorable. All members contribute to the success of each performance.

Our expectations:

1. Every member is respectful to one another at all times.
2. Every member does their part to prepare for rehearsal and performance.
3. Every member is present and giving their best at all rehearsals.
4. You will care for your instrument and any other materials you are provided in class. You will bring them to rehearsal each day.

The plan:

1. As in years past, outside of class individual practice is required. Lesson logs or practice logs can be turned in to meet this requirement. Lesson logs will remain on paper, while weekly practice logs will be in canvas. *a list of recommended teachers is attached.
2. More class time will be dedicated to preparing for all region and all state auditions. Everyone is expected to take the audition in November.
3. You will listen weekly to assigned tracks in canvas. This will be part of your weekly grade in the class.
4. Rehearsal plans will be clearly communicated via canvas weekly. Members will communicate rehearsal conflicts as soon as they arise and might have make up work if they miss rehearsal.
5. In lieu of chair tests, members will earn their spot in the ensemble each rehearsal. Parts will be distributed to provide equal opportunity if applicable. Any member who consistently fails the ensemble due to lack of preparation will be assigned jag lessons with ms. Lee or in severe cases, be removed from the ensemble.
6. It will be understood that members may be asked to perform part of their music in class in order to get feedback and improve performance. Grades will only be negatively affected if students show no sign of improvement over multiple opportunities.

7. We will broaden our horizons this year by collaborating with other students and teachers.