

# SYMPHONIC BAND 2018-2019



## What is expected of my student in this class?

Students in Symphonic Band (SYM) are expected to:

- be present at all rehearsals that occur during the school day or outside of class time (ample warning is given prior to an outside of class rehearsal-there is always a dress rehearsal the day of a concert).
- arrive to school early enough to have their instrument out and "warmed up."
- come prepared on the assigned music (available in Canvas).
- treat each other and all instructors with the utmost respect.

## How is my students' grade calculated in this class?

- 25% Daily Basics (this includes arriving on time and having instrument/music/supplies)
- 25% Assignments (there will be 2 each quarter)
- 50% Performances (includes football games, all concerts, school events, etc.)

## How can I know about upcoming events/performances?

The calendar on our website [www.bluevalleywestband.com](http://www.bluevalleywestband.com) (the same calendar is available when you log in to charms) \*it includes ALL BVW Band activities so it is quite full! ☺

**\*\*\*Please update your email address in Charms – this is our quick way to reach you!\*\*\***

## Why is there a fee for my student to be in this program?

We are self-funded and everything we do cost money! We make every attempt to provide our students with the best education and experience possible. They will learn from the finest clinicians in the KC area and play the best music we can put in front of them. The fee for participating in this class is \$65 (if you filled out our forms, you likely paid this already).

## How can I be involved alongside my student in this program?

The number one way parents can be involved is to support your student by attending performances! It is also quite helpful to ask your student what has been happening in band recently – what music are they playing? You should be hearing them play their instrument at home!

If your student is having a positive experience in this class, please spread the word to younger families you may know! If they are not, please let me know immediately so that we can adjust appropriately; it is our goal as a band staff to improve our craft.

Other great ways are to donate Kleenex, water, snacks, funds, etc. We are always in need of these items!