

GRADING PROCEDURES

1. **GENERAL:** The student is given a Band Objective Sheet which lists the assignments for one quarter. The student completes as many of the assignments as possible. The objectives are divided into four general areas; Practice, Tests, Attendance, and Attitude. (See Band Objective Sheet).

2. **PRACTICE:** Requirements and evaluation procedures

- A. **INDIVIDUAL** -One half hour per day five days a week. The student keeps track of their practice time on the objective sheet. The parent signs each week. Students then turn it in for a grade on the **MONDAY OR FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK.**
- B. **PAIR** -One half hour per quarter. The student practices with other band member. The partner signs and dates the objective sheet. Miss Ugaki enters it on the computer.
- C. **STROBE** -Fifteen minutes per quarter. When completed, the student tells Miss Ugaki with their partner that they have completed the strobe assignment and it is entered into the computer.
- D. **TUNER** -Same requirements and procedure as for strobe.
- E. **MAKE-UP** -Twenty minutes practice in the band room makes up one missed rehearsal, or a tardy mark.

3. **TESTS:** Types of tests and evaluation procedures

- A. **PLAYING** -An assignment is given at least one week in advance. The student must perform the assignment with no more than two mistakes in order to pass.
- B. **STROBE** -The student is tested on five notes. Each note is scored according to how much movement can be seen on the strobe wheels while the student plays. **Pass/Fail grade (student has the entire quarter to pass it off)**
- C. **TUNER** -Same procedure as for the strobe except we are listening for beats instead of watching the wheels. (percussionists do bell and timpani practice tests instead of strobe and tuner). **Pass/Fail grade (same as strobe)**
- D. **WRITTEN** -Material from the course outline, state and district guidelines are taught and reviewed throughout the quarter. A review sheet or study guide is provided one week before the test is given. The students answer 100 multiple choice questions on a computer scan sheet. The sheets are computer scored that night. The students receive the results the next day. We go over the test so the students know the correct answers for the questions they missed.