

Cherokee 6th Grade Band Calendar and Syllabus

Welcome to the Cherokee Band! This year you will begin a life long musical experience. You are the Kickapoo band class of 2016! Congratulations! The first several weeks of band will be spent trying out instruments! **DO NOT GET AN INSTRUMENT UNTIL YOU RECEIVE INFORMATION FROM ME.** As soon as everyone is chosen for an instrument I will send home all the information you need to obtain the correct supplies.

Supplies needed: Don't get an instrument yet! Wait for the information packet in about 3 weeks!

Major Instructional Goal's – go to <http://springfieldpublicschoolsmo.org> under the curriculum button to view Major Instructional Goals.

Grading Policy

- 20% practice records – 2nd quarter
- 40% Class participation/conduct
- 40% Test – (playing test and written test)

Plagiarism – please refer to the plagiarism section in the Cherokee student planner.

Skills are discussed and demonstrated in class, but must be worked on individually at home. Private lessons are always encouraged! Individual practice is necessary to improve.

****An unexcused absence from an evening or off campus performance will reduce the participation points by 50%, thus lowering the semester grade two complete letter grades. Excused absences will be given a make-up assignment. Director reserve the right to determine excused or unexcused.**

Grading Scale: A 94-100%; A- 90-93%; B+ 87-89%; B 84-86%; B- 80-83%; C+ 77-79%; C 74-76%; C- 70-73%; D+ 67-69%; D 64-66%; D- 60-63%; F below 60%. (This is district mandated.)

Required Performance Attire

The recommended performance attire for 6th grade band is:

Ladies – dress, skirt, blouse or nice pant suit.

Men – dress pants, polo style shirt or shirt and tie. A coat is not required.

Band Room Rules

1. Water only-No food, drinks, candy or gum in the band room.
2. Keep hands off things that do not belong to you.
3. Do not play, talk or get out of your chair without permission.
4. Keep hands and feet to yourself.
5. Treat school property and equipment with respect (chairs, stands, instruments and music).
6. Keep the band room and instrument bins clean.
7. Respect others.
8. Be prepared when we start playing our instruments! Have instrument, music, reeds, valve oil, pencil, etc., daily. Instruments in shop need a note from home and a repair receipt upon return.

Music Fundraiser

Participation in the music department fundraiser is very important because it generates money to provide new music, instruments, and equipment. Please plan to support our fundraiser on October 8th which allows us to cover our department expenses.

