

Blue Springs South Band's

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Daily Schedule

- 1- South- All Wind Instruments
- 2- South- All Percussion Instruments
- 3- Music Appreciation
- 4- Middle Schools
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- 6- Freshmen Center- All Wind Instruments
- 7- South/Freshmen Center- All Percussion Instrument

Grade/Evaluation

Blue Springs South Bands are accessed on a co-curricular basis. Conduct both in the classroom and during performances will affect the overall grade for the course.

45% Daily rehearsal participation (10points a day)

- Daily attendance
- On time
- Instrument and required materials
- Attentive/good conduct/ positive attitude
- Performs music at proficient level

30% Group Performance

- Attendance at all performances (concerts, festivals, contests)
- On time for performance warm-up
- Proper attire for performance
- In attendance for entire concert
- Instrument and proper materials for performance
- Attentive and contributing to a high quality group performance
- Individual part performed at a high level of proficiency
- Students with excused absences are required to complete make-up by the day of the performance. Each unexcused absences will render a grade deduction of two letter grades for the quarter.
- One unexcused absence from a performance will affect the student's six week grade by at least two letter grades. Two unexcused absences from a schedule performance in any semester can result in an "F" for their semester grade and director recommendation for removal from the program. *Pep band performances are graded and **required** for Symphonic Band students!!*

25% Individual Performance

- Demonstrate knowledge of musical concepts and information through written test and playing evaluations either in person or on tape as determined by the directors.
- Periodic seating auditions
- Projects (listening exercises, music critiques, composer reports, theory handouts, etc.)

Extra Credit: *Students have the opportunity to earn a maximum of 5% extra credit by attending musical concerts or events that they are currently not performing in. Students are to bring a copy of the program from the performance with their name in the to left hand corner within one week of the performance to their director.*

Attendance Policy

Absenteeism affects the performance and practices; participatory activities such as band depend on full participation. Each student's participation affects the group outcome, and each student plays a valuable role in this process. It is imperative that we establish attendance guidelines that amplify this learning process for both the student and the group. Attendance is related to both self-discipline and learning. If a student is not in rehearsal, he or she has missed that participatory portion of his or her educational experience and that is the more difficult to recapture. A calendar of events is published in advance for your planning. **Students and their families are requested to plan accordingly when scheduling appointments, vacations, etc. so that rehearsals and performances are not missed.**

The following attendance policy is applicable to all rehearsals and performances of the concert and marching band, winter guard, winter percussion and jazz ensembles.

Excused Absences

An absence is counted as excused if it falls under the Blue Springs School District guidelines for excused absences. The students must also bring a parent note to the director on the day of his or her return to school explaining the reason for the absence. For an illness or emergency please contact the band room as soon as possible at 815-224-1315 ex 332

There are times when a student may need help with homework or meet with a tutor after school. An absence may be counted as excused if the following criteria are met:

1. Directors are notified a week or more in advance when possible.
2. A "request for excused absence/tardy form" is filled out and turned in one week in advance. See section H forms.
3. The request is approved by the directors.

Failure to comply with these criteria automatically result in an UNEXCUSED absence.

Unexcused Absence

An unexcused absence is one that does not satisfy the requirements listed for excused absences. Vacations, community sports, jobs, club meetings etc. are not excused.

If an unavoidable conflict surfaces and if arrangements are made in advance, a student is allowed one unexcused absence from an after school rehearsal without penalty. An unexcused absence from a performance or a second unexcused absence from a rehearsal will result in the student forfeiting any awards for that year, as well as affect their overall grade in the course.

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Performance Schedule

August 17	First Day of School
Friday 8/26	Raytown South
Friday 9/2	Park Hill South
September 10	ACT
September 17	Fall Fun Fest Parade
Friday 9/23	Ray-Pec (POP Game)
September 24	Clinic Rehearsal
October 1	Blue Springs Festival (Prelims/Finals)
Friday 10/7	Lee's Summit (Homecoming/MRMS)
October 14	Extra Rehearsal
October 15	Ozarko Competition (Prelims/Finals)
October 22	ACT- Odessa Festival (One Show only)
Friday 10/28	Liberty (Senior Night)
October 27-31	No school- yes we have rehearsals and performances.
October 29	MU Festival Prelims/Finals)
November 1	Sounds of Stadium Rehearsal
November 3	Sounds of the Stadium Performance
Friday 11/4	Tentative Playoff Game
Friday 11/11	Tentative Playoff Game
Friday 11/18	Tentative Playoff Game
Saturday 11/26	State Football Championships- St. Louis
November 5	District Band/ District Jazz Band Auditions at Staley HS
November 23-27	Thanksgiving Break
December 3	State Band Auditions
December 15	Holiday Concert
December 22-Jan 3	Winter Break
January 5,6,7	District Band Concerts
February 20/21	No School
TBA- Winter Guard/ Percussion Home Show	
March 19-23	Spring Break
March 24	District Solo and Ensemble- Instrumental Vocal 23rd
March 24	MCCGA Championships in Springfield
March 27	Band Pre-Festival Concert
March 28	Freshmen Band Large Group Festival
March 30	MSHSAA Symphonic Band Only Large Group Festival/Choir on the 31st.
April 6-9	No School Easter Break
April 18th -23 rd	Band/ Orchestra Orlando Florida Trip
May 15th	Combined Moreland/ South/FC Spring Concert
April 27	State Solo and Ensemble In Columbia
May 10&11	Southern Exposure
May 18	Band Banquet
May 28	Memorial Day
May 24 or 27	Graduation- Band is playing this year.