

Spring Lake Middle School
8th Grade Band
Syllabus 2022-2023

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Classroom Rules/Procedures:

- Be considerate and respectful to other students and our facilities.
- Students must have a pencil with them during class.
- Please use the restroom on the way to class.
- After entering the room, get your instrument and sit in your assigned seat.
- Do not start warming up until you are in your seat (percussion warm up on drum pads).
- Once you enter the band room, do not leave the band room without permission.
- No phones are allowed in the band rehearsal space during class.
- No gum, food, or drinks in class. Water bottles are OK

Grading Policy:

60% Daily grade – participation, organization, behavior, attitude, following class rules, etc...
(*Students will receive a grade every two weeks – 5 points per week*)
30% Concerts
10% Playing tests/chair audition

Practice:

Students will not be required to turn in practice slips. It is an expectation however that students will practice at home.

Band Uniform:

Students will be issued a tuxedo shirt, bow tie, and cummerbund. Students will need their own black pants or long skirt.

Performances:

September 30	Pregame performance with the HS band at home varsity football game. Call time 6:00 in school colors. Performance 6:40-7:00pm.
December 2	MS Solo & Ensemble Festival (optional) – at Coopersville MS
December 6	Grades 6-8 Band Concert – HS auditorium, 7:00pm
February 16	5 th Grade Debut and 7 th and 8 th Pre-festival Concert – HS aud.,7:00pm
March 2	District Band Festival at Grand Haven High School – TBA
March 19	Spring Lake FundJam – HS Gym, 2:00pm
April 22	MS Solo & Ensemble Festival (optional) – at Mona Shores MS
May 9	Spring Band Concert – HS Auditorium Grades 5 & 6 – 6:30pm, Grades 7 & 8 – 7:30pm
May 29	Memorial Day Parade (morning)