

6th Grade Orchestra Syllabus

Mr. Amendol, Mr. DeLaurentis & Mrs. Prokop - Room 143 / Room 107 / Room 108
Center Intermediate School 2019-2020

- I. Sixth grade orchestra will meet three days per week during 5th period as follows:
“Monday Group”: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday
“Tuesday Group”: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
We will split the group into violins and violas who will be in room 143 with Mrs. Prokop and the cellos and basses will be in room 108 with Mr. Amendol or Mr. DeLaurentis.
In 6th grade, students will refine the basic skills of playing their chosen string instrument. More extensive harmony playing will be experienced and students will begin to learn how to shift. In addition, we will expand the student’s ability to play in various key signatures. There will be two concerts per year, which will be held at The Boardman Performing Arts Center:
Winter Concert - Tuesday December 3, 2019 7:00PM
Spring Concert – Wednesday May 13, 2020 7:00PM
- II. Grading:
Students will be graded on the following scale:
O, Outstanding
S, Satisfactory
U, Unsatisfactory
Each student’s grade will be determined by the following criteria:
Practice records: one per month that must be signed by a parent.
Testing: from the class books
Seating: Prior to each concert, all students will be required to turn in a recording of all concert pieces and this will determine their seating at each concert as well as a major grade for that grading period.
Class participation: In order to participate, students must have their instrument and music each day they have class. Forgetting an instrument 3 or more times in one grading period will result in a lower grade for the nine-week term.
Concert participation: Orchestra is a performance-based class. Therefore, any student not participating in the concert(s) without a valid reason will receive a U for the concert grade and will be in jeopardy of failing orchestra for that grading period. A valid excuse is defined as an emergency situation or severe illness and Mrs. Prokop 330-758-7511 ext.67152 must receive a phone call from a parent within 24 hours of the concert.
- III. Supplies needed **each day**:
1. Instrument
 2. Music/Books (need to purchase one \$6 book – Essential Elements Book 2)
 3. Pencil
 4. Rosin
 5. Cleaning Cloth
- IV. Discipline Policy:
Students will receive a blue slip for: forgetting their supplies, touching another student’s instrument, talking at an inappropriate time or breaking any general classroom rule. When they have received three blue slips in one nine-week period, there will be a phone call made to the parents. If the student does not comply with our rules at that point, they will be referred to the assistant principal for further discipline.
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