



Chandler Unified School District

BND740 Jazz Band

Semester 2, SY 2022-23

Course Overview

Course Description

BND740 Jazz Band (One Year): This is an elective class where selected students will learn contemporary musical styles, improvisation, and practical jazz theory. This select ensemble will regularly perform at various concerts, school functions, and festivals. These scheduled performances are mandatory.

Advanced Placement (AP) / International Baccalaureate (IB) / Dual Enrollment

This not an AP, IB, or Dual Enrollment course. An additional syllabus is not required for this course.

Site

School name and address:

Willis Junior High School, 401 S McQueen Rd, Chandler, AZ 85225

Building principal:

Jeff Delp

delp.jeff@cusd80.com

Faculty Information

Teacher:

Christopher Vasquez BA, MEd

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ext. 5770

Office hours: During 3rd period lunch or by appointment.

Course Learning Outcomes

After this course, students will be able to:

Read and play jazz rhythms

Improvise on instrument

Play appropriate jazz repertoire

Materials and Fees

Course Materials

Reeds

Valve Oil

Pencil

Instrument

Course Fees

n/a

Curriculum and Instructional Resources

Adopted Resource(s)

n/a

**An asterisk will indicate a resource containing sexually explicit materials per legislative definitions.*

CUSD has determined that all resources listed above are of exceptional educational value.

Course Access

This course is taught in person at Willis Junior High School. Students will have access to the curriculum and instruction in the classroom. Google Classroom is the primary location for students to access material when absent from classes taught in person. Buzz is the primary location for COA students to access materials at all times.

- Clever cusd80.com/Page/45109 (select secondary courses will use clever)

Computer Requirements

Students can use devices to engage with electronic resources and turn-in select assignments.

Help

Academic Support

- Contact the teacher to schedule an appointment during office hours
- [NetTutor](#) offers K-12 CUSD students free live tutoring, question drop-off, and writing feedback (cusd80.com/NetTutor)
- [Ed Tech](#) support for students, parents/guardians, and community link (cusd80.com/Page/45109)

Mental Health Support

- CUSD's Counseling and Social Services Department provides access to mental health support for students and families through their webpage cusd80.com/Domain/10528
- US Department of Health and Human Services 9-8-8 hotline
- 24-hour Crisis Line Talk: 602-222-9444, Text: 741-741

Student Conduct, Success, and Responsibilities

Student Handbook

Students must follow the policies and procedures established in the Student Handbook. Copies of the handbook can be found at <https://www.cusd80.com/handbooks>. Printed copies will be provided upon request.

To be successful

Students will be attentive in class

Students will practice 1.5 hours outside of class

Students will always have their supplies

Student Responsibilities

No food or drinks other than water

Instruments must be taken care of

Late work

Students have as many days as they were absent to make up work for full credit.

Assessments and Assignments

Students will complete assessments during each unit of study to assess their understanding. Students will complete a final at the end of the first and second semesters. The final will count for 20% of the student's final semester grade in grades 9-12 and 10% in grades 7-8 (some exceptions may apply at the Junior High level).

Final exams will be given during the CUSD Jr High/High School Early Dismissal days in December and May, as identified on the [District Calendar](#).

If students are requested to participate in a survey, the survey questions will be provided to parents/guardians seven days before student contact.

Grading

Grade Percentage

A	90% - 100%
B	80% - 89%
C	70% - 79%
D	60% - 69%
F	<60%

Quarter grades

Participation 30%
Concerts 30%
Practice Logs 20%
Tests 20%

Semester grades

Student semester grades are calculated using 45/45/10: Each quarter accounts for 45% of the semester grade and the final exam accounts for the remaining 10%.

Units of study

Parents/Guardians should indicate if they "Agree" or "Disagree" with their student's participation in each of the following units of study.

Jazz rhythm and articulation
Improvising
Swing
Latin
Rock

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