



Chandler Unified School District

BND760 Percussion Ensemble

Semester 2, SY 2022-23

Course Overview

Course Description

BND760 Percussion Ensemble (One Semester/One Year): Percussion Ensemble is for any student who would like to learn or further develop playing skills with all percussion instruments. This class will focus on a variety of percussion skills and techniques using such instruments as the marimba, bells, xylophone, timpani, snare drum, bass drum, cymbals, and more. Percussion students will be expected to perform at concerts and other events throughout the school year.

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
vasquez.christopher@cusd80.com
ext. 5770

Office hours: During 3rd hour lunch or by appointment

Course Learning Outcomes

After this course, students will be able to:

Play basic and complex rhythms and various percussion instruments
Read music on the staff
Have proper drumming technique

Materials and Fees

Course Materials

Drumsticks
Mallets

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 pay attention in class

Have supplies

Practice 1.5 hours weekly

Student Responsibilities

No food or drinks

Have supplies

Late work

Students will 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%
Homework 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.

Basic percussion playing
Notes on the staff
Rhythm

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