

# PAYNE JHS BAND HANDBOOK 2018-19

Mrs. Deanna Bessette- band director PJHS

Welcome to the Payne Junior High School Bands! Please take a moment to read this packet thoroughly, sign and return the last page to Mrs. Bessette. If you have any questions please refer to the band webpage (SUBSCRIBE FOR IMPORTANT UPDATES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR!) or email me at [bessette.deanna@cusd80.com](mailto:bessette.deanna@cusd80.com)

## CADET BAND

- Standard of Excellence by Pearson Book 2 (blue) for your instrument
- Excellence in Theory (workbook) by Ryan Nowlin and Bruce Pearson, Book 1 (red)
- (2) Paper folders with pockets and 3 prongs, and 15 plastic sheet protectors for music. This will fit into a section in your PJHS binder but will be easily removable to put on your stand during rehearsals. You will need 2 of these to ensure proper care of your music all year.
- Instrument accessories and cleaning materials (listed by instrument below)
- Class fee of \$30. You can pay this using the parent portal on infinite campus, or by sending cash or check to the front office

## SYMPHONIC BAND

- Technique and Musicianship from the Tradition of Excellence Series (Nowlin/Pearson)- method book
- Excellence in Theory (workbook) by Ryan Nowlin and Bruce Pearson, Book 2 (blue)
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## JAZZ BAND

- Standard of Excellence Jazz Ensemble Method book for your instrument. WAIT TO PURCHASE this until your instrument and part are confirmed by Mrs. Bessette. You will find out the first week of school during class.
- (2) Paper folders with pockets and 3 prongs, 15 plastic sheet protectors for music. This will fit into a section in your PJHS binder but will be easily removable to put on your stand during rehearsals. You will need 2 of these to ensure proper care of your music all year. You may combine this with your folder for Cadet or Symphonic band if you wish, just get more plastic sheet protectors to ensure you have enough for all of your music.
- Instrument accessories and cleaning materials (listed by instrument below)
- Class fee of \$30. You can pay this using the parent portal on infinite campus, or by sending cash or check to the front office

## PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE:

- The Snare Drummer's Toolbox from Row Loff Percussion- method book.
- Completed "Application for Instrument Rental" and one-time \$40 fee. This a rental fee for use of all of the school instruments that are covered in this class (marimba, bass drum, snare, toms, tam-tam, marching percussion, cymbals, etc.) This can be paid by sending cash or check with the completed form to the front office.
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- (2) Paper folders with pockets and 3 prongs, 15 plastic sheet protectors for music. This will fit into a section in your PJHS binder but will be easily removable to put on your stand during rehearsals. You will need 2 of these to ensure proper care of your music all year.
- Practice pad for home practice, at least 2 pairs of drumsticks

## ALSO NEEDED FOR YOUR INSTRUMENT: (care and cleaning)

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| <u>Flute:</u>             | tuning/cleaning rod, cleaning cloth, small cleaning brush   |
| <u>Clarinet:</u>          | handkerchief swab, cork grease, 3 playable reeds brand Van Doren, mouthpiece brush, quality reed holder<br>Suggested Mouthpiece: Van Doren M13 or B45, Rovner Ligature.                               |
| <u>Saxophone:</u>         | handkerchief swab, 3 playable reeds brand Van Doren, cork grease, quality reed holder, mouth piece brush<br>Suggested Mouthpiece: Selmer C star   |
| <u>Trumpet:</u>           | valve oil (Al Cass), slide grease, cleaning snake & cloth, polishing cloth,<br>Suggested Mouthpiece: Bach 5C or 3C.   |
| <u>French Horn:</u>       | rotary oil, slide grease, mouthpiece brush, cleaning snake<br>Suggested Mouthpiece: Giardinelli C8.   |
| <u>Trombone/Baritone:</u> | trombotine slide oil, (Al Cass valve oil for baritones), tuning slide grease, cleaning snake, small spray bottle for water, mouthpiece brush,<br>polishing cloth Suggested Mouthpiece: Bach 6-1/2 AL. |
| <u>Tuba:</u>              | valve oil (Al Cass), slide grease, mouthpiece brush, cleaning snake SuggestedMouthpiece:<br>Schilke 67  |
| <u>Percussion:</u>        | Practice pad for home practice, at least 2 pairs of sticks, a set of bells is recommended but not required  |

## Payne JHS Band Concert Schedule 2018-19

Here is a TENTATIVE LIST of all of the upcoming events and performances for all of the PJHS bands this year. More details will be available as each event becomes closer. ALL PERFORMANCES ARE MANDATORY. If you have a conflict, a request to be excused is required at least 2 weeks prior to the event. Excused absences will ONLY be granted with parent/teacher communication.

Sept/Oct 2018: Junior High night with a High School band- details TBA (ALL 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE BAND STUDENTS)

November 9 2018: MIM field trip for Cadet Band students

December 6<sup>th</sup> 2018: Band Concert, PJHS Caf   
6pm- Cadet Band and Percussion Ensemble  
6:45pm- Symphonic Band and Jazz Band

Dec 2018: School assembly holiday concert (Symphonic band)

January 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> 2019: Recruiting concerts/field trips to Elems (Symph)

January 17<sup>th</sup>: Jazz Band performance at Open House for new 7<sup>th</sup> graders

February 28<sup>th</sup> 2019: Band Concert, PJHS Caf   
6pm- Cadet Band and Percussion Ensemble  
6:45pm- Symphonic Band and Jazz Band

March 2 or March 9, 2019: Ostrich Festival Parade (ALL band students)

March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019: ABODA festival competition in Tucson (Symphonic band)

April 2019: Possible Jazz Festival (Jazz Band)

May 2019: Possible Cadet Band festival (Cadet bands)

May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019: Band Concert, PJHS Caf   
6pm- Cadet Band and Percussion Ensemble  
6:45pm- Symphonic Band and Jazz Band

## CONCERT POLICIES

Part of what we learn in band is teamwork and cooperation and we rely on each other to make a successful performance. ALL PERFORMANCES ARE MANDATORY! I MUST receive parent contact at least 2 weeks prior to the concert if you have a previous conflict that is unchangeable. If an excused absence is granted, an alternate assignment would be offered to the student to make up the points for the missed concert. An unexcused missed performance will result in an automatic lowering of AT LEAST TWO letter grades!! Please mark your calendars now with the attached performance schedule, and be sure to check the website and flyers sent home with your student for any changes.

## INSTRUMENT STORAGE

You may check out a locker in the band room to store your instrument while you go to your other classes. A school combination lock will be provided. These lockers are ONLY for the storage of your musical instrument and band materials and must be kept locked at all times. It is school property and will be inspected throughout the year to ensure appropriate use. If it is determined that your locker is being used improperly, you will lose the locker immediately. If you lose your lock, you will be charged a \$5.00 replacement fee. Any student found tampering with other lockers will automatically lose their locker privileges and will receive a referral.

## GRADING

Your band grade will be calculated by averaging your scores from the following: PERFORMANCES, Rehearsals (class participation), Practice sheets, Written assignments and Playing tests

## CONCERT ATTIRE (Cadet, Symphonic Band, Percussion Ensemble)

You will be responsible for providing the uniform, which is: white collared shirt, black dress pants, black dress shoes and black socks.

## PAYNE JHS WEBSITE & BAND PAGE

Payne JHS has a great, informative website. Please visit it at <http://www.myhandlerschools.org> and under "select a school" scroll down and select Payne Junior High. While you are there you can click on "REGISTER" in the upper right hand corner and follow the steps. This will keep you up to date with new dates and information, please check out and become familiar with our band page. You can locate it from the Payne website by clicking on STAFF then Bessette, Deanna.

## TAX CREDIT

A great way to raise money for our band is the Arizona State Tax Credit program. The use of tax credit donations will play a vital role in our ability to enhance your child's music experience. Parents can donate directly to the Payne JH band organization. Tax credit forms can be found on the CUSD website and on my webpage as well.

## PARENT SUPPORT

Parent support and participation is crucial in the development and success of Payne's Band Program. Encouraging your child to practice at home and attending the band performances are the best ways to support your child. However, there are other areas in which your assistance may be needed and appreciated. I am always in need of parents to help chaperone festivals and field trips, help with High School Band nights, assist with our fundraisers, and several other things! If you are interested in helping out, please note that on the music contract at the end of this packet. Thank you for supporting your child's music education!

## Payne Junior High School Band Contract

I have read and understand the policies outlined in the PJHS Band Handbook 2018-19. I understand that I need to supply the necessary materials required for my student, and will notify Mrs. Bessette promptly if I need assistance. I also understand that CONCERT ATTENDANCE IS REQUIRED, and I agree to the concert attendance and grading policies. I also have received and read the Band Concert Schedule, and my student WILL be in attendance at all performances. I understand that it is my responsibility to check the band website (or any flyers sent home) for any updated information about performance dates/times.

Student Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

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What band class are you enrolled in?

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Instrument

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Student Signature

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Date

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Parent Name (print)

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

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Parent email address

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Alternate email

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Parent(s) phone

- o Yes! I am interested in being a band helper! Please contact me when you need assistance with donations, chaperoning, or classroom help!