

PAYNE JHS BAND HANDBOOK 2019-2020

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**. 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

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 In Touch, 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 In Touch, 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 rental 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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- Practice pad for home practice, at least 2 pairs of drumsticks
- Class fee of \$30. You can pay this using the parent portal In Touch, or by sending cash or check to the front office

ALSO NEEDED FOR YOUR INSTRUMENT: (care and cleaning)

<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 *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 *Suggested Mouthpiece: Selmer C star
<u>Trumpet:</u>	Valve oil (Al Cass), slide grease, cleaning snake and polishing cloth *Suggested Mouthpiece: Bach 5C or 3C.
<u>French Horn:</u>	Rotary oil, slide grease, mouthpiece brush, cleaning snake *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, polishing cloth *Suggested Mouthpiece: Bach 6-1/2 AL.
<u>Tuba:</u>	Valve oil (Al Cass), slide grease, mouthpiece brush, cleaning snake *SuggestedMouthpiece: 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 2019-2020

Here is a TENTATIVE LIST of all upcoming events and performances for 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 2019: Junior High night with a High School Marching band- details TBA (ALL 8TH GRADE BAND STUDENTS)

December 5th 2019: Band Concert, PJHS Caf  6:30pm, ALL BANDS

Dec 2019: School assembly holiday concert (Jazz Band)

January 2020: Recruiting concerts/field trips to Elementary schools (Symphonic Band)

January 16th 2020: Jazz Band performance at Open House for new 7th graders

February 26th 2020: Band Concert, PJHS Caf  6:30pm, ALL BANDS

Feb 29 or March 7 2020: Ostrich Festival Parade (ALL band students)

March 4th, 2020: ABODA Area festival competition (Symphonic band)

February or April 2020: Possible Jazz Festival NAU or ASU (Jazz Band)

May 2019: Possible Cadet Band festival (Cadet band)

May 14th, 2020: Band Concert, PJHS Caf  6:30pm ALL BANDS

CONCERT ATTIRE (Cadet, Symphonic Band, Percussion Ensemble)

You will be responsible for providing your student's uniform, which is: white collared shirt, (dress shirt or polo) black dress pants, black dress shoes and black socks.

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

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 2019-20. 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 agree to the concert attendance and grading policies, and understand that performance attendance is MANDATORY. I have received the Band Concert Schedule and my student will be in attendance, or I will request an excused absence in the timeline outlined (at least 2 weeks prior). 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): _____

Student Signature

Date

What band class are you enrolled in?

Instrument

Parent Name (print)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Parent email address

Alternate email

Parent(s) phone

Please check one:

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

- No thanks, I will contact you directly if/when I am available to help out.