

# 2020-2021

## Clark-Pleasant Middle School Band Handbook

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### **Required dates for 2020-2021**

**\*\***Please note that due to student and community safety, these dates may change to being virtual performances. We will adapt as the school year proceeds but wanted to give families dates to put on their calendar.

**Thursday December 10, 2020**- 7pm at Clark-Pleasant Middle School

**Friday March 12, 2021** – ISSMA Contest at Clark-Pleasant Middle School (*Students will only perform one day- March 12 or March 13- time/date TBA*)

**Saturday March 13, 2021**- ISSMA Contest at Clark-Pleasant Middle School (*Students will only perform one day- March 12 or March 13- time/date TBA*)

**Tuesday May 18, 2021**- 7pm at Clark-Pleasant Middle School

**\*All concerts/contests are required as part of the students grade (Concert Performance EL).** School excused absences with parental contact are the only type of absence that will be excused with a make-up assignment. ***Unexcused absence from a concert or contest will result in not completing the Concert Performance EL requirement for the student's grade.***

### **Other Important Dates for 2020-2021:**

**IBA All-region Honor Band**- Saturday/Sunday November 14-15 2020 (if possible)

(*director nomination and selected to participate in All-Region Band- CPMS Hosting the event*)

**ISSMA Solo and Ensemble Contest** - Saturday January 30, 2021- Time/Location TBA

**Pendleton Jazz Festival**- Saturday February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (*participating students only*)

**ISSMA Jazz Contest**- Friday March 5, 2021 or Saturday March 6, 20201 (*participating students only*)

### **Concert Attire**

**Concert Black** (Black Dress pants or Black skirt/black dress, Black dress shirt, black socks and black dress shoes). ***Please no prints, solid black only*** (school dress code guidelines apply)

### **Grading Policy**

Students will be evaluated on written and performance assessments aligning with our Essential Learnings for band. You can find a copy of our EL Scales on cpmsband.com. Students are ENCOURAGED to do re-do/re-takes for each assessment until skills are mastered. Performance Assessments must be mastered by the corresponding concert dates.

### **Essential Learnings in Band**

**Performance:** Note Accuracy – 10%

**Performance:** Musicianship- 10%

**Written:** Notes/Rhythm Reading- 10%

**Written:** Terminology- 10%

**Performance:** Rhythmic Accuracy- 10%

**Performance:** Tone Quality- 10%

**Performance:** Key Signature/Scales- 10%

**Performance:** Concert Performance- 25%

## **Materials Needed for Class**

All students must have their instrument, band books, *music in a binder*, Chromebook, and a pencil for class every day.

All brass players must have valve oil and slide grease.

All Woodwinds must have at least 4 working reeds for every class.

*(We encourage you to purchase a box of Vandoren 3 reeds from Paige's music)*

Please contact **Paiges Music** or **Musicians Repair** if you are in need of supplies or have instrument issues: *Paiges Music: 1-800-382-1099 or Musicians Repair: 317-635-6274*

## **Band Opportunities**

*Please note we will make accommodations to all opportunities to ensure student safety.*

**Virtual Virtuoso Band:** We are offering an after school Virtual program open to all CPMS Band Students. This is an extra- curricular band that will meet via Zoom and work on fun techniques and practice together to promote community and student engagement during this time. Any students who are virtual only, as well as students that are in person are highly encouraged to participate. (more information coming)

**ISSMA Concert Band Contest:** Each year the students perform at the ISSMA Concert Band Contest for 3 judges. The students are evaluated on many different categories and receive a Gold, Silver, Bronze or Participation rating. ***This is a required after school/evening performance on either a Friday night or Saturday morning.***

**Solo and Ensemble:** students are **encouraged** but not required to participate in Solo and Ensemble contest. Students learn a solo (by themselves) or an ensemble (with several other students of like instruments to perform for a judge at another school on Saturday January 30, 2021 and will receive helpful feedback and a medal for their performance. Transportation of students and instruments is not provided.

**Private Lessons:** Private lessons instruction is available. There are many virtual options for private lessons available to accommodate during this time. It generally ranges from \$15-\$30 for a half hour weekly lesson. Please contact a director if you are interested (kbriel@cpcsc.k12.in.us)

**IBA All-Region Honor Band:** All Region Honor Band is a group of students from the area nominated by their band directors and selected by a committee. It is a high honor to perform in this group. Many students that participate in private lessons or Solo and Ensemble are selected.

**Jazz Band (and Pep Band):** Jazz band is an extra-curricular band. More information will be coming soon about a schedule and participation in the Jazz band when it is safe to do so. It is highly encouraged to participate!

**Band Council:** CPMS Band students can apply to be a part of the CPMS Band Council. These students will receive basic leadership training, help advocate for our band program within the school and community, plus assist with our beginning band instrument try-on nights.

