



JOHN F. KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL  
COURSE SYLLABUS  
DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

Marching/Concert Band

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### **Materials/Equipment Needed Daily**

- Writing Utensil
- Music Binder with current literature
- Instrument in good working order
- Instrument specific equipment like reeds or neck strap

### **Additional Materials for 1<sup>st</sup> Semester**

- Coordinate Sheet/poker chips
- Proper athletic or tennis shoes for marching
- Water bottle
- Pep Band shirt (\$10)

### **Expectations**

- Students are expected to attend all performances, rehearsals, sectionals, and meetings regarding our band program.
- Early is on time. On time is late. Late is unacceptable.
- Respect our equipment.
- Respect each other.
- Gum, food, drinks (other than water) and electronic devices are not allowed during band rehearsal.
- Maintain a positive, winning attitude with our program and those involved.

### **Tardy Policy**

- **When the bell rings you are:**
  1. **TARDY** if you are just walking through the door, and are not prepared to work.
  2. **ON TIME** if you have your instrument/equipment/music ready to go.

### **Grading**

#### **PARTICIPATION**

- 10 points – Daily grade based on attendance/participation/preparedness
- 100 points – Tuesday Night Rehearsal
- 200 points – Rehearsathon
- 400 points – Concerts/Competitions/Football Games, etc.

## **CONTENT**

- 100 points – Performance Test
  - Administered randomly on a semi-regular basis
  - A missing score does NOT affect your grade
- 50 points – Paperwork
  - Quizzes, projects, written assignments, etc.

### **Grading Scale**

89.5% - 100% A

79.5% - 89.4% B

69.5% - 79.4% C

59.5% - 69.4% D

0% - 59.4% F

### **Make-up**

A make-up for performance participation is not possible. The only way to keep these points is to offer an acceptable note/email or phone call from a parent in advance of the absence and complete an assignment given at the teacher's discretion. Should you be absent due to family emergency, the student must provide the excusal on the first class day following the performance. Special circumstances will be handled on a case by case basis.