



Coppinville Jr. High School Band
 Student and Parent
 Handbook
 2023 – 2024

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students,

Welcome to Band! Whether this is your first or second year in band, I am excited to have you and to begin this school year! Please read through this handbook carefully before signing and returning the last page. ALL of the information provided is important! If you have any questions, please contact me (email is always the best form of communication!).

Thank you,

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Required Materials

ALL:

- Quality instrument/equipment from a recommended source (NO COLORED INSTRUMENTS!) - Please visit CoppinvilleBand.com for a purchasing guide or request a physical guide from Mrs. Compton
- Metronome/Tuner
 - Recommended Apps: Soundcorset (tuner/metronome, free); Bandmate Chromatic Tuner (free); TonalEnergy (tuner/metronome, \$3.99)
- Portable Music Stand for at home practice

Woodwind Classes:

- Cork Grease for Clarinet and Saxophones
- Swab specific for instrument
- Flute Rod (Flutes only)
- Reeds for Clarinet and Saxophones (Students should have 3 working reeds at ALL times)
 - Recommended: Join the Playground Music Reed Club to have reeds delivered to OUR bandroom each month. Please contact Playground Music at (850) 243-2514 for more information and pricing
 - Acceptable Brands: Vandoren, Royal by D'Addario, or Juno
 - Strength 2.5 **unless** Mrs. Compton has recommended moving to a Strength 3

Brass Classes:

- Valve oil for Trumpet, French Horn, Baritone and Tuba
- Slide Grease for all
- Slide cream + spray bottle, such as Slide-O-Mix or Trombotine, for Trombones
- Cleaning Snake
- Polishing Cloth (Please do not use towels or washcloths! They will scratch the finish)

Percussion Classes:

- \$175 Class fee covers all needed materials.
- Broken or damaged mallets/sticks, will be replaced by the student at an additional cost. Required equipment make and model information will be provided by request.

Fee Information

Class fees are listed below. They are due by September 1st and covers the student's Band Book, T-Shirt, Music, and Binder. If you have any issue paying these fees, please contact your director and we are happy to make arrangements with you.

- Symphonic/ Concert Band Fee: \$40
- Beginning Band Woodwinds/ Brass Fee: \$40
- Beginning Percussion Fee: \$175
(Note: this fee includes all required materials for the class, which you keep)
- Jazz Band Fee: \$30
- School Owned Instrument Fee: \$50
- Replacement Book Fee: \$15
- Replacement Binder Fee: \$5

Remind Codes

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| Class: | Beginning Band Woodwinds | Beginning Band Brass | Beginning Band Percussion | Jazz Band | Concert Band | Symphonic Band |
| Remind Code: | @CJHbww | @CJHbrass | @CJHbperc | @23cjhjazz | @23cjhcon | @23cjhsym |

Expectations for Members in Good Standing

As members of the Coppinville Junior High School Bands, you are expected to:

1. Be on time.
2. Be where you are supposed to be. Be doing what you are supposed to be doing.
3. Follow the classroom rules and procedures.
4. Be prepared for all classes, rehearsals, and performances.
5. Make a positive contribution to the band program.
6. Display exemplary conduct at all times.
7. Meet eligibility requirements as defined by school policy.
8. Attend all rehearsals.
9. Attend all concerts.
10. Follow all policies of the Enterprise City Schools Board of Education and Coppinville Jr. High School as set forth in the student handbook.

Please note that in addition to these expectations, all of the Coppinville Junior High School and Enterprise City Schools Board of Education rules and expectations as set forth in the Student Handbook will also apply! Any student who does not meet the high standards of the Coppinville Junior High School Bands is subject to review, disciplinary action, and/or dismissal at the discretion of the band director.

Grading Policy

Your student will be graded on the following:

- Participation - 60%
 - Student is awarded 100 points at the beginning of each week.
 - Any time the student is off task, 10 points will be deducted.
 - If a student does not have any of the required materials for class (instrument, music, etc.), 20 points will be deducted.
 - Students are encouraged to take their instrument and music home each day, but are required to do so the last school day of each week. Failure to do so will result in a 20 point deduction.
- Assessments - 40%
 - NinGenius Assignments
 - Playing Assessments (Including Midterm and Final)
 - After school rehearsals - any student who does not attend for ANY reason, must complete a make up assignment
 - Concerts - any student who does not attend for ANY reason, must complete a make up assignment

Concert Information

Concerts are an essential part of music education, and as such, performances are mandatory for all students. An absence from a performance will require a rigorous make-up assignment because there is no other way to replicate the experience of a live performance. These events are a showcase of their hard work! Therefore, each student should represent themselves, the organization, and the school with respect, pride, and dignity. They should be dressed appropriately for the occasion. All students are required to wear the following items:

Concert Black as defined:

- Solid black collared shirt, black dress pants (no jean material) or solid black skirt/dress that meets school dress code requirements with black tights/hose, long black socks (ankles should not show when seated), and black dress shoes (heels are not recommended)
- NO jewelry other than stud earrings; jewelry should not draw attention away from the group

Band Calendar of Events 2022-23

AUGUST

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| Wednesday 9: CB/SB | First Day with Instruments | All Day |
| Monday 14: BB | Playground Music Rental Night (@ CJHS) | 5-7p |
| Wednesday 16: SB | Symphonic Band Sectionals Begin (see schedule) | |
| Monday 21: BB | First Day with Instruments | All Day |

SEPTEMBER

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| Friday 29: OP | Movie Night | 6-8p |
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OCTOBER

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| Tuesday 17: ALL | Fall Concert (with DJHS) (@ EHS) | 6p |
| Friday 20: CB/SB (OP) | Junior High Night (@ EHS) | 5:45p |

NOVEMBER

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| Thursday 16-17: CB/SB (OP) | SEUS Honor Band (@ Troy University) | All Day |
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DECEMBER

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| Monday 11: OP | Dauphin Winter Concert | 6p |
| Tuesday 12: OP | EHS Winter Concert | 6p |
| Thursday 14: ALL | CJHS Winter Concert | 6p |
| Friday 15: OP | Ugly Sweater Party (@ DJHS) | 6-8p |

JANUARY

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| Saturday 13: SB | Symphonic Band Camp | 12-4p |
| Saturday 27: CB/SB | District/All-State Band Auditions (@ CJHS) | 9a |

FEBRUARY

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| Thursday 22: OP | EHS Pre-MPA Concert | 6p |
| Tuesday 27: CB/SB | Pre-MPA Concert (with DJHS) | 6p |
| Thursday 29: OP | Dallas Brass Concert @ EHS | TBA |

MARCH

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| Tuesday 5: SB | MPA (@ EHS) | TBA |
| Wednesday 6: CB | MPA (@ EHS) | TBA |
| Fri.-Sat. 8-9: Selected Students | District Honor Band (@ EHS) | All Day |
| Tuesday 12: CB/SB | Spring Trip Rehearsal | 3:30-5:30p |
| Tuesday 12: CB/SB | Final Trip Meeting | 5:45p |
| Tuesday 19: CB/SB | Spring Trip Rehearsal | 3:30-5:30p |
| Fri.-Sat. 22-23: CB/SB (OP) | Spring Trip | |

APRIL

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| Saturday 20: ALL | Solo and Ensemble (@ DJHS) | TBA |
| Thu.-Sat. 25-27: Selected Students | All State Honor Band (Huntsville) | |

MAY

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| Thursday 2: JB | ECS Spring Fling | TBA |
| Monday 6: ALL | CJHS Spring Concert (@ EHS) | 6p |
| Tuesday 7: OP | Dauphin Spring Concert (@ EHS) | 6p |
| Thursday 9: OP | EHS Spring Concert (@ EHS) | 6p |
| Friday 10: OP | Cookout (@ CJHS) | 5-7p |
| Mon.-Fri. 13-15: ALL | Band Final Exam | Class |
| Thursday 16: BB | Beginning Band Bash | 8:30a-2:30p |
| Tue.-Thur. 28-30: CB/SB | Marching Band Minicamp | 8a-12p |

Contract of Mutual Consent

STUDENT NAME (First and Last): _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME (First and Last): _____

Parent Email Address: _____

Please scan this QR code to sign up for weekly email updates on important assignments and events:



Please be sure to sign up for the Remind messages as well! Text the phone number 81010 the code for your child's class.

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My student and I have read and understand all of the information provided in the band manual. Failure to meet any of the expectations or guidelines will result in the appropriate action ranging from a warning to expulsion from the band program. I am also aware that my student's grade will not automatically be an A, and that he or she will earn his or her grade based upon the grading procedures set forth in this handbook. Furthermore, I understand that my student is to attend all after school rehearsals and concerts, and that I am to meet the financial obligations. I know that I can contact Mrs. Compton with any concerns through email, phone, or visit.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

* If your child has any health issues, allergies, or any other important information that you feel Mrs. Compton should know, please use the space below to describe the situation. Thank you!