

HIGHLAND BANDS - CLASSROOM BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

When in class, students should comply with the following expectations:

- 1.) BE ON TIME... Be in the band room when the tardy bell rings. Upon your 4th tardy (per semester) you will be written up on a referral. Once the bell has rung, you will have 1 additional minute to be in your seat with your instrument, music, stand, and a pencil. BE IN ATTENDANCE... you are expected to be in attendance at all rehearsals. Band should not be viewed as a “convenient” class to miss for appointments, etc. Please take care of restroom needs before arriving. Do not leave the band room without permission... PLEASE ASK to leave for any reason.
- 2.) Food, drinks, candy are not allowed in the band room department area. NO GUM!
- 3.) Courtesy and respect is expected towards one another at all times. Be polite!
- 4.) If it doesn't belong to you, don't touch it. Only percussionist are to play the percussion instruments. Do not trade instruments around. If an accident occurs, please report it to a director.
- 5.) Appropriate rehearsal behavior is expected at all times. There should be no unnecessary talking during rehearsals. Please wait to be called on before speaking. Do not throw any object at any time. Referrals will be written for inappropriate behavioral issues.
- 6.) At the end of each rehearsal, time will be given for you to put up your instrument. Take proper care of your instrument and our equipment at all times. Instruments are to be kept in their cases and stored in their designated locker or storage area. If you are not going to use a pad lock, do not check one out. ALL MUSIC STANDS ARE TO BE RACKED at the end of each rehearsal.
- 7.) The office areas and practice rooms are not to be used as places for social gatherings. At the end of rehearsal, please wait for the dismissal bell from the band room... do not congregate by the exit doors. The computers in the practice rooms are off-limits to all band classes unless instructed to use by a director.
- 8.) Students who are issued a pass from a band director may (with another teacher's approval) come down to the band room for the purpose of practicing. Students will not be admitted to the band area unless the pass is written by one of the directors. A pass from another classroom teacher will not be accepted and will result in the student returning back to the class they were released from.
- 9.) Please take care of any reed, valve oil, or music needs at the very beginning of class. Do not interrupt in the middle of rehearsal for such needs. Woodwind players should have a set of reeds which should be used on a rotating basis. Music is to be kept in the folder we provide you and each individual is to keep their own folder... do not share a folder with anyone.
- 10.) PERCUSSIONIST... **Percussionist are to provide their own sticks and mallets.** You should keep your music in a folder and stored in the music folder rack located in the percussion area. Rack all stands at the end of rehearsal. Please help to keep the concert percussion area neat and organized. Put away all instruments (including traps) at the end of each rehearsal.

THE HIGHLAND BAND DEPARTMENT OPERATES WITHIN “THE SIX PILLARS OF CHARACTER”

Trustworthiness – Respect – Responsibility – Fairness – Caring – Citizenship