

Webutuck High School Eugene Brooks Middle School

Eric Wiener, Instructor
eric.wiener@webutuck.org 845-373-4100 x 6045

7/8 Band *SH Band*

7/8 Band and SH Band are elective music classes for students in grades 7 - 8 or 9-12 designed to give students the opportunity to perform and grow as instrumental musicians in an ensemble setting, while exploring a variety of musical styles and experiences. While these groups are typically for more experienced students, *students of all experience levels are welcome.*

Students will receive a grade on their report cards for this class each marking period. Grades are based on attitude, effort, participation, and growth, as well as participation in Music events and small group lesson attendance..

Materials: Students will need their instruments & supplies (reeds, valve oil, ect), pencils, music & folders (provided) & charged Chromebook *daily*.

GROWTH. *TAKES.* *TIME.*

Learning music is a multi-layered process with many different avenues and definitions of success. These pursuits involve a set of skills that develop continually over time and evolve with knowledge and experience.

- Be patient
- Make an effort
- Keep an open mind
- Reflect and evaluate
- Listen to music in different styles featuring your instrument/equipment
- Watch musicians perform
- Ask for help

Follow us!



[@WebutuckMusic](https://twitter.com/WebutuckMusic)



[Webutuck Music Department](https://www.facebook.com/WebutuckMusicDepartment)



[WebutuckMusic](https://www.instagram.com/WebutuckMusic)

BAND COURSE OUTLINE

GRADING: Students earn approximately 75% of their grade in Band by participation in all Band activities, by demonstrating effort and a positive attitude, and by demonstrating improvement in, and mastery of, the Band repertoire. 25% of their grade is based on lesson attendance. See additional details below.

REHEARSALS: Rehearsal time will be devoted to large ensemble practice and performing techniques. Students are expected to come prepared to perform and make their best effort.

LESSONS: Students are expected to come to lessons once every six-day cycle, approximately 6 per marking period. Lessons are scheduled on a rotating basis. Schedules are posted in the band room and Google Classroom. Lesson attendance and progress are approximately 25% of the marking period grade. Students are expected to communicate with Mr. Wiener if they are unable to attend a lesson and arrange for a make-up lesson. Students are responsible for communicating with their classroom teachers in advance of their lessons and are responsible for any work missed.

PRACTICE: Frequent practice is essential to development as a musician and is also necessary for bringing all Band music to the high level necessary for public performance.

PERFORMANCES: Participation in the Band performances is a basic requirement of Band. Performance in the Winter and Spring concerts is mandatory and is worth 30 points of the 2nd and 4th marking period grades. Participation in the Memorial Day Parade and WHS Graduation are mandatory but students earn community service credit. Unexcused absences to any performance will result in grade penalties. Extra credit is awarded for students participating in extra events such as Area All-State, All-County, NYSSMA, Pit Orchestra, etc, or for otherwise going above and beyond. Students may earn community service credit for some of these events. *See the separate music events calendar for dates.*

CONCERT DRESS CODE:

Concert dress is ALL BLACK: Full length dress pants/slacks, skirts/dresses that fall below the knee when seated, dress shirts/blouses with sleeves, black socks or hosiery, black dress shoes with no more than a 2" heel.

More details: <http://bit.ly/ConcertDressCode>