

# O.M.S. – INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC DEPARTMENT SCHEDULE AND REQUIREMENTS FOR 2018-2019

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>GROUPS INVOLVED</u>
December 1	Solo & Ensemble Festival	Concert & Symphonic Band Students (Optional)
December 4	Holiday Concert	Concert, Symphonic & Jazz Bands
February 23	Jazz Band Dinner Dance	Jazz Band
February 26	Winter Festival Concert	Concert, Symphonic & Cadet Bands
March 8 & 9	District Band Festival	Concert & Symphonic Bands
April 23	Spring Concert	Concert, Symphonic, Jazz & Cadet Bands
May 27	Memorial Day Parade	Symphony Band
June 3-5 (1 time only)	Curwood Parade Practice	Concert, Symphonic & Cadet Bands
June 7	Kids in Curwood Parade	Cadet Band
June 8	Curwood Festival Parade	Concert & Symphonic Bands

## UNIFORMS – CADET BAND ONLY – (CADET BAND MEMBERS PROVIDE THEIR OWN UNIFORM)

Each Cadet Band member is expected to provide the following: **black dress shoes** (Black dress oxford-style shoe with an all black sole), **black dress socks**, a **white button down or polo shirt** (long or short sleeves) and a **dark blue or black pant**.

## UNIFORMS – CONCERT AND SYMPHONIC BANDS ONLY

Each Concert or Symphonic Band member is expected to provide the following: **Black Dress Shoes** (Black dress oxford-style shoe with all black sole and a heel) and **Black Dress Socks**. Please do not use an athletic style shoe or a shoe with too big of a heel/sole. The uniform provided to your child is checked out to them free of charge. It consists of pants, top, and collar liner. Please help your child take proper care of the uniform, as it will need to last OMS for many years and is dry clean only. Parents/Students will be held responsible for any damage done to the uniform. We will be ordering shoes before the December concert. You can order your shoes through OMS or buy them on your own.

## GRADING - Students will be evaluated as follows:

(Percentages can change throughout the year)

- 45% - Weekly Participation
- 20% - Playing Test /Challenge
- 20% - Performances
- 10% - Practice Card
- 5% - Written Test

**PRACTICE CARDS** – All OMS Band students are expected to practice a **minimum** of 90 minutes per week. To have the greatest effect, the 90-minute minimum should be spread throughout the week. (15 minutes a day, six days a week with one day off.) Remember that consistent, productive practicing is THE ONLY way to significantly improve, and it is the **most important** thing that a student can do to become a better/stronger musician. **Practice cards need to be signed by a parent/guardian weekly please.**

**ALL PERFORMANCES** are required as indicated above. Exceptions will be made for sickness and personal emergencies. If you know of a conflict and cannot work it out, provide a written explanation to Mr. Tolrud **AT LEAST TWO WEEKS PRIOR** to that performance and you may be excused. One unexcused absence will result in the lowering of that quarter's grade by one complete letter grade. Two unexcused absences will result in a failing grade for that quarter. A concert is the culmination of many weeks of hard work and each member of the band is an essential part of that performance.

**EXTRA CREDIT** will be given to students attending outside instrumental concerts throughout the year – bring in the program from the concert with your name written on it and give it to Mr. Tolrud.

Now that all of that is out of the way, a huge **“WELCOME BACK!”** goes out to all students and parents!!! The OMS bands are of the highest caliber, and I am certain this will once again be an **OUTSTANDING YEAR!** If you ever have any questions, please email or call at your convenience. Remember, communication is the key to a great experience here at OMS!

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This year, ALL INFORMATION other than this paper will be sent home electronically. Please see the band webpage for instructions to sign up for Remind for your particular band if you have not already done so...Thank You!! ☺