

PREP BAND SYLLABUS 2017-18

Course Title: **Prep Band**

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Required Text: Accent on Achievement Book 1 - for your instrument

Required Materials: Instrument, Binder/Folder, Pencil

Supplies: There is a \$20 materials donation associated with this course which goes a long way towards purchasing new music. Checks may be made payable to U-Prep Music Department. As always, we greatly appreciate your support!

*Students may be financially liable for lost or damaged items (books, music, folders, instruments, equipment, etc...) As always, students are expected to treat music department property with absolute respect.

Course Description: The purpose of this class is to provide students with little to no band experience the opportunity to explore and begin the process of mastering a new instrument. Students in Prep Band have an obligation to themselves and their fellow band members to practice at home and bring what they have learned to daily rehearsal. Students will also be responsible to bring their instrument, individual music, and pencil each day as Class Performance is such a major part of their grade.

Course Objectives: With the national and state music education standards in mind, students in U-Prep music classes will have solo and ensemble performance opportunities. In preparation for these performances, students will focus on proper sound production techniques, sight reading, basic music theory, music history, and musical creativity.

Grading Criteria: Class Performance: 75%
Concerts: 25%

We will be spending most of our time in preparation for concerts and performances. **Attendance and participation at these functions are essential and carry a heavier weight. Missing one concert may result in a "C" or lower for the semester.**

Performances: Winter Music Concert: December 13th
Celebration of the Arts: February 15th (*tentative*)
Spring Music Concert: May 17th

**More performances to come... dates and times will be updated on the website and sent home through Aeries emails as soon as they become available.*