

Brandon-Evansville HS Band Grading Policy

2015 - 2016

Your grade in band will be determined by a point system. Points for each quarter are as follows:

Participation	260 points (10 pts per day)
Sectionals	120 points (30 pts each)
Concerts	100 points
Pep Band	100 points (10 pts per game)

Participation

In order to receive full credit in this category, a student must show they are actively engaging in music making during band. This means a student must sit with the correct playing posture, must always show that they are ready to play their instrument, and refrain from eating and chewing gum during rehearsals and performances. Students will receive full credit if they talk or play only at appropriate times. Lastly students must show a willingness to play a variety of music and arrive to class with the appropriate materials (instrument, music, pencil). All students should receive full credit in this category.

Sectionals

During sectionals, students will playing fundamentals exercises, band repertoire, and contest material. Students will be graded on posture, readiness, willingness to play, and bringing appropriate materials (instrument, music, practice log, pencil) - similar qualities to participation points. Attending a sectional does not necessarily mean that they will receive an 'A' in their sectional grade. If a student misses their sectional due to an illness or test, it is the student's responsibility to first, communicate with the director and second, come to another sectional time.

Concerts/Pep Band

Students are expected to arrive to a concert/pep band at the schedule call time, wearing the appropriate concert attire - black pants / shoes, black dress shirt (no t-shirts). Pep Band attire is the Blue/gold band shirt or theme fitting apparel. During the performance students must show support for their peers and use appropriate concert etiquette as both a performer and a listener. Students who meet these standards will receive full credit for concerts.

Band Handbook

New this year is the B-E Band Handbook, which is located on the music website for your reference. The handbook covers other rules and procedures that do not apply to the students grades. It is recommended that band students and parents know where the handbook is and are familiar with it. The handbook will be gone through during the first week of rehearsals. The band handbook is located on the music website (<http://dziemer.wix.com/b-e-charger-music>) under the handbook tab.

Concerts and Pep Band are an integral part of the B-E band experience. Students are provided with a schedule of concerts at the beginning of the school year. Concert attendance is a required element of all bands. Absences for any reason other than Severe Illness or Family Emergency shall be unexcused and a score of zero assigned. Students missing concerts for any of the excused reasons will be assigned make-up material and a period of time within which to complete it. *There are no exceptions to this policy.*

I have read the Brandon-Evansville Band Grading Policy and understand the expectations of each student in the B-E Band Program. I have also received the Quarter 1 2014 Performance Schedule.

Parent Signature

Student Signature

*To receive full credit, sign and return to Mr. Ziemer by Tuesday, September 8th, 2015
Thank You!*