



2022-2023 DUBOSE BANDS SYLLABUS

The band syllabus is designed to give students and parents an overview of the expectations and policies of the DuBose Band program. The 2022-2023 DuBose Band Handbook provides families with comprehensive information regarding every aspect of the program. *****This syllabus as well as the DuBose Band Handbook need to be reviewed in detail by students and parents**

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Curriculum Goals

Students in the DuBose Middle School Band will:

1. Demonstrate a proper concept of characteristic tone on their given instrument.
2. Demonstrate the ability to perform on their instrument with proper technique, expression, style, and accuracy.
3. Demonstrate individual as well as group performance abilities including but not limited to dynamics, phrasing, melodic shaping, and articulation.
4. Demonstrate a working knowledge of key signatures and the ability to perform the appropriate concert scales from memory.
5. Demonstrate a knowledge and understanding of time signatures, rhythms, and other musical notation necessary to perform.
6. Demonstrate a knowledge of basic music terminology and apply to musical performance execution.
7. Demonstrate the ability to understand the structure of a musical composition and be able to create their own music using specific guidelines.
8. Demonstrate the ability to listen to, describe, analyze, and evaluate music and musical performance.
9. Demonstrate the ability to study and examine the role of music in history and culture by comparing instrumental music from different cultures and eras.
10. Demonstrate the ability to make connections between music and other arts disciplines throughout the world.

Student Expectations

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<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Respect Others 2. Respect Yourself 3. Respect Property 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Verbal Praise 2. Positive Parent Phone Call 3. Positive Student Referral 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Verbal Warning 2. Lunch Detention/Parent Contact 3. Discipline Referral

Grading Scale/Grading Rubric – A (90-100); B (80-89); C (70-79); D (60-69); F (59 & Below)

Class Participation, Rehearsal Technique, Attendance, and Concerts (30%) Written Tests (30%)

Playing Tests (30%)

Practice Charts and Homework (10%)

Attendance Policy

Students are excused from required concert rehearsals for the following reasons: illness, medical/dental appointment, serious family illness, a death in the family, a recognized religious holiday, approved special circumstances, and school sponsored events. Therefore, if the school excuses it, we will excuse it. Please do not schedule medical appointments or family events/trips during required band rehearsals/performances/functions as each band member plays an integral role within the music ensemble and their contribution to the team is essential for the success of the group. **A portion of each student's final grade will be determined based on their attendance and performance at all required DuBose Middle School Band performances and scheduled rehearsals as notated on the 2022-2023 Master Calendar.**

Required Materials

IT IS HIGHLY ENCOURAGED THAT YOU GET ALL INSTRUMENT NEEDS THROUGH "MUSIC AND ARTS" IN SUMMERVILLE (1219 N. Main Street Suite A Summerville, SC 29483 – 843.871.4784).

1. Working instrument in good playing condition* (with nametag clearly labeled with ALL emergency contact info)
2. Instrument Specific Materials- PLEASE CONSULT THE DMS BAND HANDBOOK pg 12.
3. Band Method Book – Please get the correct book for your instrument!

- 6th/7th/8th Grade - *Habits of a Successful Beginner Band Musician* by Scott Rush (GREEN COVER)
 - 8th Grade - *Habits of a Successful Middle School Musician* by Scott Rush (GOLD COVER)
4. BLUE Band Rhythm Book – this book comes from an independent publisher and must be bulk ordered by the DMS band program. It is NOT available in any store ***
 5. Korg TM-60 Metronome/Tuner Combo with CM 200 Contact Microphone
 6. 1/2” or 1 INCH BLACK 3-ring binder with clear front pocket and 10-20 sheet protectors
 7. 3-4 sharpened or mechanical pencils with eraser IN A PENCIL POUCH ***
 8. Collapsible music stand (*this item can stay at home for the duration of the school year)

*** **The cost of these items for 6th/7th Grade BEGINNERS is covered within the Band Fair Share Fee. If 7th/8th Graders have lost/misplaced their BLUE book, they must pay \$10 for a replacement.**

DD2 Approved Instrument Brands

PLEASE CONSULT THE DMS BAND HANDBOOK Pg 13.

Financial Information

The DuBose Middle School Band is an organization that operates financially independent from the school and district through the DuBose Band Booster Organization. Therefore, we implement a student fair share system that covers the vast majority of band related purchases.

Beginner Band (6th/7th)	7th Grade Band	8th Grade Band
<p>Fair Share Amount, \$60</p> <p><i>this amount includes:</i> BLUE Rhythm Book/Band Binder DuBose Bands Polo Program Materials Concert Music Guest Artists Concert Clinicians</p>	<p>Fair Share Amount, \$75</p> <p><i>this amount includes:</i> Festival Registrations DuBose Bands Polo Program Materials Concert Music Guest Artists Concert Clinicians</p>	<p>Fair Share Amount, \$75</p> <p><i>this amount includes:</i> Festival Registrations DuBose Bands Polo Program Materials Concert Music Guest Artists Concert Clinicians</p>
<p><i>the following additional costs are not factored into the above amount:</i> Personal Instrument Rental/Materials Remaining Concert Attire (black dress pants, black belt, long black socks, black dress shoes)</p>	<p><i>the following additional costs are not factored into the above amount:</i> Personal Instrument Rental/Materials Remaining Concert Attire (black dress pants, black belt, long black socks, black dress shoes)</p>	<p><i>the following additional costs are not factored into the above amount:</i> Personal Instrument Rental/Materials Remaining Concert Attire (black dress pants, black belt, long black socks, black dress shoes)</p>

All payments can be made by either cash, check or PayPal ([paypal.me/dubosebands](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?url=https://www.dubosebands.org)). When using PayPal, please select FAMILY AND FRIENDS to help our program avoid fees. Cash or check payments must be placed in a sealed envelope with the purpose of payment, amount enclosed, and the student’s name included and be turned into the GOLD BOX on the director’s office door. Checks should be made payable to the DuBose Middle School Band Boosters. When completing a check, please include the name and phone number of the student on the payment. Please DO NOT send coins in as a form of payment unless exact change is needed.

It is the policy of the DuBose Middle School Band to work with any student who desires to play an instrument but may have financial difficulties doing so. No student will ever be denied the opportunity to play an instrument and participate in the arts due to financial reasons. Please contact Mr. or Mrs. Smith if assistance is needed.