



CAL Cadet Band Handbook

Mr. Chris Lockwood, Director

“The CAL Community School provides a nurturing educational environment with an engaging curriculum which fosters good character and instills the desire for life-long learning in a global society.”

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CAL Cadet Band Member Responsibilities

- Students are expected to:
 - attend **all** performances and rehearsals
 - come to lessons, rehearsals, and performances with all materials
 - practice regularly at home
 - dress appropriately for concerts
 - follow classroom/school rules and policies
 - be personally responsible for all of the information regarding band and making sure this information is passed onto parents/guardians
 - respect yourself, peers, property, and teacher
 - put all materials in their correct place after rehearsals and performances
 - Make an effort to learn and improve. Good attitude!!!
 - **HAVE FUN!!!!!!**

Classroom Rules

In the CAL Cadet Band, we have three fundamental rules:

1. Have RESPECT for: yourself, your peers, your instrument, school property, and teacher.
2. **No gum or candy.** Gum and candy (or other highly sugary stuff, like pop) can seriously damage your instrument.
3. **All cell phones must be put in the basket. NO cell phones out during rehearsal. This includes being on your stand.**

Concert Attire

CAL Cadet Bands have performances regularly throughout the year. Students are expected to follow the dress code. Failure to do so will result in 15 point loss, or the student being sent home to change.

Concert Attire (Winter and Spring Concerts)

Gentlemen

- Dress pants with a belt (NO JEANS)
- Dress shoes (NO TENNIS SHOES)
- Button up shirt with tie (HS)
- Collared shirt (MS)

Ladies

- Dress slacks and a blouse
- Dress
- Skirt and a blouse
- Only low-heel, closed toe shoes

* Ladies, please make sure that your dresses, skirts, and blouses are school appropriate.

Large Group Contest and Pictures

- The rule: Black from the waist down and white from the waist up.
- See Mr. Lockwood if you have any questions

Pep Band Attire

- Jeans, shorts, or capris with a school T-shirt or other school spirit wear

Performances

The CAL Cadet Bands give numerous performances throughout the year. Please mark your calendars with the performance dates for the year. Note that attendance to **all** performances is required of all members. Absences from performances will be dealt on an individual basis, which may include a meeting with parents, administration, and Mr. Lockwood.

Grading Policy

40% Performances (Concerts, Pep Rallies, Parades, etc.)

Attendance at all performances is required, except for serious illness or family emergency. The director must be notified BEFORE the performance. Any unexcused absence from a performance will result in an "0" for that performance.

30% Rehearsals (5 points daily)

Students must come to rehearsals with all materials (instrument, folder, lesson book, and pencil).

Students are expected to cooperate, be focused, and ready to learn.

Not having materials, especially your instrument; and behavior problems will result in a loss of point(s) for the day.

30% Lessons (per quarter)

Every student has a lesson once a week, either individually or in a group. Lessons come out of regular classes, so if a student can not come due to a test or quiz, he/she must email Mr. Lockwood by the end of the school day and let him know. Failure to email Mr. Lockwood will result in a "0" and must be made up.

Students are expected to come prepared with instrument, all music, lesson book, and pencil. Students will be given a weekly assignment to practice. Students will earn a maximum of 20 points for their lesson depending on how well their assignment is prepared.

5th graders-- Need to have a signed practice chart when coming to lessons. The practice chart is worth half of their lesson points

Grading Scale

A	100% - 93%
A-	92% - 90%
B+	89% - 87%
B	86% - 83%
B-	82% - 80%
C+	79% - 77%
C	76% - 73%
C-	72% - 70%
D+	69% - 67%
D	66% - 63%
D-	62% - 60%
F	59% and below

******* Make up Lessons*******

To make up lessons, students must make arrangements with Mr. Lockwood and their teachers. After making arrangements, they may sign up on Mr. Lockwood's door. Before and after school times are also available.

******Extra Credit******

A student may earn extra credit by attending a concert, bringing back a program, and writing a paragraph on their experience. The concert has to be a symphony band, jazz band, or other instrumental group. No popular artists, choirs, or rock bands will count. Each concert is worth 5 points. The maximum amount of extra credit is 20 points per quarter.

Supplies, Resale, and Rentals

Reeds/Oil/Supplies

- The school keeps a limited supply of basic instrument needs on hand for resale.
- Reeds are sold at a discounted rate from the music store and will be sold in a quantity of three so that students can have multiple reeds prepared to play. Reeds take a little time to work into playing condition.
- Other items such as cork grease, cleaning swabs, neck straps, etc. may also be purchased directly from Rieman Music (641) 423-6563. They can deliver it to the school.

Resale Prices (subject to change)

Clarinet Reeds:	\$6.00 for 3
Bass Clarinet:	\$9.00 for 3
Alto Saxophone:	\$7.00 for 3
Tenor Saxophone:	\$9.00 for 3
Baritone Saxophone:	\$11.00 for 3
Valve Oil	\$4.00 per bottle

School-Owned Instruments

- Bigger instruments such as french horns, tenor and baritone saxophone, baritones, and tubas are rented through the school.
- The school does own other instruments that can be rented as well, however it is always best to rent flutes, clarinets, alto saxes, trumpet, and trombones through the music store. Please contact the director for more information
- Rental fee for the year is \$60. The rental fee covers routine care and maintenance. This fee can be paid in full or in 2 payments of \$30 (by semester).

****Important: While accidents do happen, major damage due to negligence will be the responsibility of the parent/guardian.**



CAL Cadet Band Calendar 2016-2017

October 6	Fall Variety Show
October 22	IHSMA All-State Auditions
**November 12	NCIBA MS Honor Band, Humboldt
November ?????	ISU Band Extravaganza Trip, ISU Campus (HS)
November 17-19	All-State Festival, ISU Campus, Ames
November 22	HS Pep Band ... Home BB vs Clarksville (girls only)
December 1	HS Winter Concert, Auditorium, 7pm
December 2	HS Pep Band ... Home BB vs Valley Lutheran
December 3	HS Pep Band ... Home BB vs Waterloo Christian (Sat.)
December 5	HS Pep Band ... Home BB vs Eagle Grove
December 8	MS Winter Concert, Auditorium, 7pm
December 9	HS Pep Band ... Home BB vs Dunkerton
December 15	Elementary Concert, Gymnasium, 7pm
January 7	HS Pep Band ... Home BB vs North Tama (Sat.)
**January 7	NCIBA HS Honor Band, NIACC
January 13	HS Pep Band ... Home BB vs GMG
January 16	HS Pep Band ... Home BB vs St. Ansgar
January 20	HS Pep Band ... Home BB vs Janesville
January 24	HS Pep Band ... Home BB vs Riceville
January 31	HS Pep Band ... Home BB vs Tripoli
February 7	HS Pep Band ... Home BB vs Clarksville (boys only)
February 24	HS Pops Concert, Gymnasium, 7pm
April 8	IHSMA Solo/Ensemble Contest, (location TBA)
April 11	MS Fine Arts Night, Auditorium, 7pm
April 25	Elementary Spring Concert, Gymnasium, 7pm
May 2	HS Spring Concert, Auditorium, 7pm
May 5	IHSMA Large Group Contest
May 14	Graduation Ceremony, Gymnasium, 3pm
May 15	Band Night, Gymnasium, 7pm
May 23	Last Day of School!!!

Items in bold print are required for grades 5-8

Mark in your planners. Show Parents!!

Lettering is based on your individual participation in band events and as a group by our ratings at contest. 300 points are required to letter as a freshman and 500 accumulated points are required as a sophomore to letter. After the initial letter is earned, students may earn bars. 300 points a year are required to earn a bar after receiving a letter.

Event/Performance	Points	Fresh.	Soph.	Junior	Senior
Basketball Pep Band - Boy's Game	10 Points				
Basketball Pep Band - Girl's Game	10 Points				
Pep Rallies (Pep Band)	5 Points				
Jazz Band Member	50 Points				
Jazz Band "Division I" Rating	25 Points				
Jazz Band "Division II" Rating	20 Points				
Jazz Band "Division III" Rating	15 Points				
All-State Auditions	50 Points				
Making All-State	100 Points				
NCIBA Honor Band	50 Points				
IA Star Conference Honor Band	50 Points				
Any College Honor Band	25 Points				
"Outstanding" Rating @ Solo Contest	50 Points				
"Division I" Rating @ Solo Contest	25 Points				
"Division II" Rating @ Solo Contest	20 Points				
"Division III" Rating @ Solo Contest	15 Points				
IHSMA Large Group Participation	25 Points				
Variety Show Performance (Instr.)	15 Points				
TOTAL POINTS					

Contact Information

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Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Email and the school phone number are the best ways to contact me. Please only use my home number if it's really urgent and can't wait. Thank you!

CAL Cadet Band Handbook Agreement

Please detach the bottom half and return with your child by Sept. 4th.

Student Agreement

I, as a member of the CAL Cadet Band, have read and understand the rules and policies in this handbook. I know that if I have any questions; I may ask my director or parent/guardian for help. I also agree that I will put forth my best effort to succeed, be respectful of others and to HAVE FUN in band.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Agreement

As a parent/guardian of a CAL Cadet Band member, I have read and understand the band handbook.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Director Agreement

As director of the CAL Cadet Band, I will strive to make you (the student) the best you can be. I will encourage, teach, mentor, and hold you accountable for your education.

Director Signature Christopher L. Lockwood Date 8/24/16