

VISTA VERDE CONCERT ORCHESTRA

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Grading

Participation	60%	(Including Concert Attendance and Concert Dress)
Practice Record	20%	
Tests	10%	
Homework	10%	

Participation

Participation points make up the majority of your grade. Being properly prepared for class includes not only having your part learned, but also having your instrument, music book, sheet music, and pencil ready in rehearsal. Your attitude and effort also affects participation. Be alert, attentive, enthusiastic, and ready to participate!

Practice Record

A student should practice a minimum of 90 minutes a week, but is encouraged to practice more. Each week should be signed by the student's parent/guardian. This is a very important part of a musician's development. Practice makes excellence, after all!

Tests

Playing AND written tests will be administered throughout the school year. Students will be graded on pitch, rhythm, tempo, and musicality (interpretation, dynamics, etc.). The purpose of the playing tests is to monitor progress. If tests are missed, you are responsible for arranging with me a makeup test within 3 school days of your return.

Homework

Listening logs are a part of homework. A listening log is a documentation of classical music. A student should listen to a minimum of 30 minutes a week of classical music, and should write down what he or she has listened to and the length of each individual piece. There will also be occasional homework assignments given out in class, as well as internet listening assignments.

♪ Required Materials

- A music binder (non-floppy)
- A music pencil (no pens!)
- Metronome

♪ Suggested Materials

- Chromatic Tuner
- Music stand for at home use

LATE WORK

I expect for your work to be done in completion and on time. If, however, any work comes in late, 20% will automatically be deducted from that assignment's grade for every day it is late. After 3 days, no late work is accepted

CONTACT

Please contact me with any questions via email at nmaruko@iusd.org. Also, use my website www.missmaruko.com for reference. Email is preferred, since I am at more than one school and teach 5 grade levels. Please maintain your friendly and courteous demeanor ☺

CONCERT PROCEDURES

Concert attendance, behavior, and dress are part of the participation grade.

All musicians are expected to arrive 30 minutes before a concert in concert dress with their instrument and music.

CONCERT DRESS:

Gentlemen are to be dressed in black dress pants, white dress shirt, black socks, dress shoes, and any color tie.

Ladies are to be in dressy black with black dress shoes. Skirts and dresses are to be knee length or longer. If students do not make accommodations beforehand (at least two weeks prior), if a concert is missed, the student's grade is automatically lowered 10%.

CONCERT DATES:

All concerts are held in the multipurpose room at Vista Verde.

September 20th - During 6th period in the MPR

December 14th – 7:00 p.m. in the MPR

March 14th, 2010 – 7:00 p.m. in the MPR

June 7th, 2010 – 7:30 p.m. in the MPR

I understand and accept the syllabus, which I have carefully read.

Please detach and return

Student Name (printed)

Student Name (signed)

Date

Parent/Guardian Name (printed)

Parent/Guardian Name (signed)

Date

Check here if you do not want a picture or first name of your child to appear on the music website.

Any Questions? Feel free to ask:

(or you may email me at nmaruko@iusd.org for a faster reply):

