

Payne Band Handbook 2024-2025

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Please start obtaining your instruments, books, cleaning materials and class supplies for band as soon as possible! Any local music store can assist you with purchasing, renting, or renting-to-own programs for instruments. **Students do NOT need to bring instruments and materials until Tues. July 23 (Day 1)/Wed. July 24 (Day 2).**

SCHOOL INSTRUMENTS: Our school does have a limited inventory of instruments available to rent from the school for an \$80 one-time fee. These are mostly larger more expensive instruments: tuba, tenor sax, bari sax, bass clarinet, and baritone. To apply for school rental please email Bessette.deanna@cusd80.com with the following information: Student name/grade, what instrument you are requesting, and what band class (Cadet, Symph, or Jazz). If you are awarded a school instrument for the year, I will reply send home the Instrument Rental cover letter and Contract. As always, YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE for proper care of the instrument throughout the school year!

CHECK YOUR STUDENT'S BAND CLASS BELOW FOR MATERIALS NEEDED:

CADET BAND

- Make It Happen! Method book By Rayne Ellison (perc- Julian and Kellermann) for your instrument. (available on JWPepper.com OR call local music store to see if they have it in stock)
- Plastic or Paper folder with pockets and 3 prongs, and 20 plastic sheet protectors for music.
- Accessories and cleaning materials for your specific instrument (listed next page)
- Class fee of \$30. You can pay this using the parent portal In Touch, or by sending cash or check to the front office

SYMPHONIC BAND

- Technique and Musicianship from the Tradition of Excellence Series (Nowlin/Pearson) for your instrument.
- Plastic or Paper folders with pockets and 3 prongs and 20 plastic sheet protectors for music.
- Accessories and cleaning materials for your specific instrument (listed next page)
- • Class fee of \$30. You can pay this using the parent portal In Touch, or by sending cash or check to the front office

JAZZ BAND

- Standard of Excellence Jazz Ensemble Method book for your instrument. **WAIT TO PURCHASE this until your instrument and part are confirmed by Mrs. Bessette. You will find out the first week of school during class.**
- Plastic or Paper folders with pockets and 3 prongs, 20 plastic sheet protectors for music. You may combine this with your folder for Symphonic band if you wish, just get more plastic sheet protectors to ensure you have enough for all of your music.
- Accessories and cleaning materials for your specific instrument (listed next page)
- • Class fee of \$30. You can pay this using the parent portal In Touch, or by sending cash or check to the front office

PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE:

- Complete the "Secondary Music Instrument Check Out form" (will be passed out to students first week of school) and pay the one-time \$80 rental fee. This a rental fee for use of all the school instruments that are covered in this class (marimba, bass drum, snare, toms, tam-tam, marching percussion, cymbals, etc.) No additional snare or bell kit rental is required. ALL PERCUSSIONISTS must do this form and fee to access all of the percussion equipment at school.
- Plastic or Paper folders with pockets and 3 prongs, 20 plastic sheet protectors for music.
- Practice pad, at least 2 pairs of drumsticks, 1 pair soft mallets. (bell kit, piano, keyboard, or Piano App for home practice is recommended but not required)

CARE AND CLEANING MATERIALS FOR YOUR INSTRUMENT (REQUIRED):

<u>Flute:</u>	Tuning/cleaning rod, cleaning cloth, small cleaning brush
<u>Clarinet:</u>	Handkerchief swab, cork grease, 3 playable reeds brand Van Doren, mouthpiece brush, quality reed holder *Suggested Mouthpiece: Van Doren M13 or B45, Rovner Ligature.
<u>Saxophone:</u>	Handkerchief swab, 3 playable reeds brand Van Doren, cork grease, quality reed holder, mouth piece brush *Suggested Mouthpiece: Selmer C star
<u>Trumpet:</u>	Valve oil (Al Cass), slide grease, cleaning snake and polishing cloth *Suggested Mouthpiece: Bach 5C or 3C.
<u>French Horn:</u>	Rotary oil, slide grease, mouthpiece brush, cleaning snake *Suggested Mouthpiece: Giardinelli C8.
<u>Trombone/Baritone:</u>	Trombotine slide oil, (Al Cass valve oil for baritones), tuning slide grease, cleaning snake, small spray bottle for water, mouthpiece brush, polishing cloth *Suggested Mouthpiece: Bach 6-1/2 AL.
<u>Tuba:</u>	Valve oil (Al Cass), slide grease, mouthpiece brush, cleaning snake *SuggestedMouthpiece: Schilke 67
<u>Percussion:</u>	See requirements above for "Percussion Ensemble"

CONCERT POLICIES: (Cadet, Symphonic, Jazz, Perc Ens)

You will be responsible for providing your student's uniform, which is: CONCERT BLACK: black dress shirt, black dress pants, black dress shoes and black socks. (no uniform needed for Perc Ens)

ALL PERFORMANCES ARE MANDATORY! An unexcused absence of performance will result in an automatic lowering of AT LEAST TWO letter grades! To request an excused absence, parents must email me at bessette.deanna@cusd80.com at least 2 weeks prior to the event. If the request is granted, the student will receive an alternate assignment that will be due by the date of the concert. Excused absence assignments turned in late or unfinished will only receive half credit for the concert. Please mark your calendars now with the attached performance schedule. Reminders will be sent home via flyers and ParentSquare.

FIELD TRIPS- MAKE UP WORK/ELIGIBILITY:

When students have a band field trip or competition, they will be required to make up any missing assignments due to them missing school. Students are expected to coordinate with their teachers on when make-up work is due. *Students must also be in good standing academically (no F's), and not have any referrals or consequences for bad behavior.* This applies to ALL classes.

INSTRUMENT STORAGE

Students may use a locker in the band room to place their instruments. There are not individual locks on each locker, it is a storage place. Combo locks will NOT be assigned unless requested by PARENT.

GRADING

Your band grade will be calculated by averaging your scores from the following: PERFORMANCES, Rehearsals participation, Practice sheets, and Assessments (playing tests, class activities, sectionals, etc.)

TAX CREDIT

A great way to raise money for our band is the Arizona State Tax Credit program. The use of tax credit donations will play a vital role in our ability to enhance your child's music experience. Parents can donate directly to the Payne JH band organization. Tax credit forms can be found on CUSD website or requested from the front office.

Payne JHS Band Concerts and Events Schedule!!!

Friday Sept. 13th and Oct. 11th (tentative)- Junior High night with Basha and Perry HS Marching band

This event is sponsored by the HS bands, details TBA (any band student, optional)

September (tentative)- Adaptive music field trip to the MIM- details TBA

Thursday December 5th- Band Concert, PJHS Café 6:30pm. Cadet, Jazz and Symphonic bands

December 13th (tentative): School assembly holiday concert (Jazz OR Symph)

January 9th and 10th- Recruiting concerts/field trips to Elementary schools (Symph, Choir, Orch)

January 9th (tentative)- Evening Performance at Open House for new 7th graders (Jazz Band)

January 28th- Secondary Band Festival field trip at CHS/CCA (Symphonic)

Thursday February 20th - Band Concert, PJHS Café 6:30pm. Cadet, Jazz and Symphonic Bands

Feb. 28th-- ABODA Area festival competition, ALL DAY FIELD TRIP- Symphonic Band

March 5th- CUSD Junior High honor band concert CCA

March/April (tentative)- ASU/Highland Jazz Fest- Field trip, Jazz Band

April 29th- CUSD Cadet Band festival, details TBD.

Wednesday May 6th- Band "Pops" Concert, PJHS Café 6:30pm. Cadet, Jazz and Symphonic bands

Tuesday May 13th- Percussionpalooza performance, 6:30pm, PJHS Café. Percussion Ensemble ONLY

Payne Junior High School Band Contract

I have read and understand the policies outlined in the PJHS Band Handbook 2024-5 I understand that I need to supply the required materials for my student and will notify Mrs. Bessette promptly if I need assistance. I also agree to the concert and classroom policies and understand that all performance attendance is MANDATORY.

STUDENT NAME: _____

STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____

PARENT NAME: _____

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____