

**REEDLEY COLLEGE COMMUNITY BAND  
COURSE SYLLABUS**

MUSIC 40/380A – Concert/Community Band  
Fall 2015 – section 56436/56434 - 1/0 UNITS  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of each month – Music 170 – 7:00pm -9:30 pm

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TOPICS:

Study and performance of a wide variety of concert band literature in preparation for public performances. One or more public performance(s) required per semester.

PREREQUISITES:

Students must read music and be proficient on a band instrument.

REQUIRED MATERIALS:

Appropriate musical instrument, musical literature supplied by the instructor to be returned at the end of the semester.

GRADING CRITERIA:

Participation and Effort - 50%  
Performance Participation - 50%

FINAL EXAM: Participation in performances

IMPORTANT DATES:

September 4- Last day to register for a class  
September 7- Last day to drop to avoid a “W”  
October 16- Final drop date. After this date, students will receive a grade.

ATTENDANCE:

If you need to miss a rehearsal or will arrive late to a rehearsal, please notify the director as soon as possible. The director plans rehearsals according to who will be in attendance. A member may be excluded from performing at the director’s discretion for excessive absences or tardiness. *If you are unable to perform at a concert, please notify the director as soon as possible to ensure that another player can cover your part.*

REHEARSAL ETIQUETTE:

The following will help us have efficient rehearsals:

1. Having a full band in attendance- When players are missing it is difficult to rehearse.
2. Beginning and ending on time- Please arrive early enough to be ready to play by 7:05 and return promptly from the break.

3. Minimizing talking and distractions- If you must talk to your section to clarify something in the music, please do it quietly.
4. Being prepared for rehearsal- If you have a challenging passage in your music, please practice it before the next rehearsal.
5. Retaining what we rehearse- Write reminders in your music and review between rehearsals so we don't have to rehearse the same things each time.

CONCERT ATTIRE:

The following attire is required for performances so the band has a uniform and professional appearance.

Reedley Fiesta Performance

Men and women: Khaki pants, white polo/collared shirt, dark shoes (hat or sunglasses OK)

All other performances

Men: black dress pants, white dress shirt, black tie, black suit jacket, black socks, black dress shoes

Women: black dress or black dress pants/skirt with black blouse, black stockings, black dress shoes. Skirts and dresses should cover the knees when seated. No sleeveless tops.

<p><u>FALL 2015 SCHEDULE:</u></p> <p>Rehearsals: 8/24, 9/14, 9/28, 10/5*</p> <p>Reedley Fiesta Performance: 10/10, 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>Rehearsals: 10/26, 11/9, 11/23, 12/14</p> <p>Holiday Concert: 12/19, 3:00 p.m.</p>	<p><u>SPRING 2016 SCHEDULE:</u></p> <p>Rehearsals: 1/11, 1/25, 2/8, 2/22, 2/29*</p> <p>March Concert: 3/5, 3:00 p.m. @ RHS PAT</p> <p>Rehearsals: 3/14, 3/28, 4/11, 4/25, 5/6*</p> <p>May Concert: 5/7, 3:00 p.m. @RHS PAT</p>
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\*Dress rehearsal