Merrimack School District Essential Learning Competencies

School	MHS
Grade Level	9-12
Discipline	Music
Course Title	Band

Quarter 1

Quarter 1		
Essential Learning	Formative Assessments	Summative Assessments
Competencies		
1.Learn marching	Observation of rehearsal	Performance evaluation
techniques		
2. Memorize National	Observation of rehearsal	Playing evaluation
Anthem	and sectional	
3. Play varied marching	Observation of rehearsal	Performance evaluation
band repertoire	and sectional	
4. Understand terminology	Written assignments,	Performance evaluation
	observation of rehearsal	
	and sectional	
5. Learn to read and write	Written assignments,	Written test, performance
scales – Concert C, F, Bb,	observation of rehearsal	evaluation
Eb, Ab	and sectional	
6. Learn pitch tendencies	Observation of rehearsal	Performance evaluation
of students' instruments		

Quarter 2

Essential Learning	Formative Assessments	Summative Assessments
Competencies		
1.Play varied marching	Observation of rehearsal	Performance evaluation at
band repertoire	and sectional	Holiday Parade
2.Memorize School Song	Observation of rehearsals and sectionals	Playing evaluation
3.Play varied concert band	Observation of rehearsals	Performance evaluation,
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repertoire	and sectionals	Winter Concert, Smart
		Music evaluation
4. Understand terminology	Written assignments,	Written test, performance
	observation of rehearsals	evaluation
	and sectional	
5. Learn to read and write	Written assignments,	Written test, performance
scales – Concert Db, Gb, B	observation of rehearsals	evaluation
, ,	and sectionals	
6. Learn pitch alterations	Observation of rehearsals	Written test, performance
for chords		evaluation

Quarter 3

Essential Learning	Formative Assessments	Summative Assessments
Competencies		
1.Play varied concert band	Observation of rehearsal	Performance evaluation,
repertoire	and sectional	Band Large Group

		Festival, Smart Music evaluation
2.Understand terminology	Written assignments, observation of rehearsals and sectional	Performance evaluation
3. Learn to read and write scales – Concert E, A, D and G	Written assignments, observation of rehearsals and sectionals	Written test, performance evaluation
4.Learn pitch alterations for chords	Observation of rehearsals	Written test, performance evaluation, Large Group Festival evaluation

Quarter 4

Essential Learning	Formative Assessments	Summative Assessments
Competencies		
1. Play varied concert	Observation of rehearsal	Performance evaluation,
band repertoire	and sectional	Spring Concert, Graduation
		Smart Music evaluation
2. Understand terminology	Written assignments,	Performance evaluation
	observation of rehearsals	
	and sectional	
3. Learn to play entire	Observation of rehearsals	Playing evaluation
circle of fifths from	and sectionals	
memory		
4. Learn pitch alterations	Observation of rehearsals	Performance evaluation
for chords		
5. Play varied marching	Observation of rehearsal	Performance evaluation at
band repertoire	and sectional	Memorial Day Parade
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