

Merrimack School District  
Essential Learning Competencies

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

Quarter 1

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

Quarter 2

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

Quarter 3

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