

My philosophy on lessons has changed slightly to better suite the needs of the students. The following information in this packet will help you and your student to understand how lessons will work for the rest of this school year unless stated otherwise.

_____ is:

- Missing lessons: week _____
- Not filling out their practice sheets properly
- Is following procedure just fine

My student's lesson time is _____

This page of the packet is due back by Tuesday Oct. 23rd for the student to get their lowest lesson grade dropped from last semester and for a grade of 10 points. Every day this is late, the student will lose one point.

I understand that my student, in order to become better, needs to becoming to their lesson and practicing outside of band. This is needed for the young musician. My student and I have read the information and understand the criteria Mr. Kroeger has set.

Date _____

Parent Name _____

Parent Signature _____

Student Signature _____

5th through 8th Lessons 2012- 2013

Effective 2nd Quarter: October 23, 2012

- *Students are required to come to 7 lessons a quarter.*
- *If students come to more than 7, their lowest grades will be dropped.*
 - *5 points extra credit will be given to any student who attends nine lessons in a quarter.*
- *If student misses a lesson, I will mark it late in the grade book until it is made up.*
- *Students are able to make up lessons on Fridays when I am at the school or after school.*
- *Days where they miss their lesson due to No School or an Assembly will not count against them (This does not mean that it counts as one of the 7 required lessons).*
- *Students may practice at school during their free time in a practice room/ designated area and I will sign off on the practice. If students aren't practicing properly or are abusing this privilege, they will no longer be able to practice at school.*

The practice sheets need to be filled out! I do this to help the students hold themselves accountable and to get them in to a consistent routine for practicing. It also helps me to have documentation I can grade. The practice sheet also has written on it their assignment and pointers/ tips for their practice that week. In order to get better, students must practice. Please help your student to find a time of the day where they can consistently practice so it becomes a habit. Lessons and practicing at home are times for learning and individual growth. Band is a time to apply what we have learned and practice rehearsal techniques.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at school or email me at brett.kroeger@k12.sd.us

Thanks,

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