John Jay Middle School

P.O. Box 387 Katonah, NY 10536 914-763-7500 "Learn. Care. Lead."

Mr. Jeffrey Swiatowicz, Principal

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2019-20 Open House

JJMS Goal: Take the time to get to know our students well and use that knowledge to increase student engagement in our classrooms.

Classroom Mission: At JJMS, Students will achieve musical expression and independence through the study of technique, practice strategies, reflection, preparedness, and classical repertoire.

Subject: Concert Band Grades 6 and 7/8

Teachers' Names: Jennifer Fraczek

Curriculum: Throughout Band in Middle School, students will experience quality music literature through study and performance. Students will develop skills and knowledge in the following areas of music education:

- Music literacy and music theory
- Listening to and analyzing music
- Technique on their instrument
- Ensemble performance
- Music history and how music relates to culture and the other arts

Grading and Homework: A student's grade in Band is comprised of several components:

- Proper playing technique on the instrument, rehearsal etiquette, performance etiquette at concerts = 45%
- Proficiency of band music, assigned scales, rudiments and exercises = 30%
- Completion of assigned lessons = 15%
- Concert attendance = 10%
- At home practice = (extra credit)

Resources: Here are some great websites to visit should your student need help while practicing at home:

- Flutetunes.com
- Theclarinets.net
- Theoboesite.com
- Bestsaxophonewebsiteever.com
- Bachbrass.com
- Vicfirth.com (percussion)
- WCSMA.org (Westchester County School Music Association)
- NYSSMA.org (New York State School Music Association)
- Jwpepper.com (locate and listen to some of our band repertoire)

Extra Help: Every Tuesday in the band room.

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