

# Blue Notes Syllabus

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***Music is the movement of sound to reach the soul  
for the education of its virtue. ~Plato***

Central Linn Blue Notes is a 9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade class. We are a performance focused, harmony driven group that sings music from all genres with an emphasis on Jazz. With constant changes due to COVID we are unsure at this time what our performances will look like and are currently planning to push off our first large scale performance until December – however, Blue Notes *may* give a special, parent only, concert in October.

## Rehearsal Expectations

Every student will demonstrate their responsibility in class by being:

- Focused on the material of the moment.
- Available - by being in class on time, appropriately prepared.
- Teachable - education requires humility from each of us. Be ready to learn.

In addition, it is expected that students will have a working pencil with them at every rehearsal and that they will treat property & others with respect.

## Grading

**Participation** is the key to any successful music ensemble. Positive contribution in class with a good attitude will ensure that we have a great experience as we learn together.

**Written Tests – Singing Tests and Projects** will happen a few times each term to ensure retention of the material we discuss/music we learn. This may also include recorded testing.

**All Performances** are required. Missing a performance steals a moment from your choir-mates that can never be reclaimed. Therefore, an unexcused absence will lower a student's grade by two letters. However, we work very hard to avoid other school events and to openly communicate about conflicts etc. A written letter explaining an illness or emergency from a guardian or parent can work to avoid a lowering of your grade.

## Formal Performance Attire

We will purchase our outfits in the first few weeks of school as agreed upon by the group. We can consider pushing this until later in the year as we understand the performance opportunities we will have better this year.

## Syllabus Acknowledgement

**PLEASE RETURN THIS PAGE BY THE DUE DATE, \_\_\_\_\_, TO RECEIVE FULL CREDIT.**

My student and I have read the syllabus and understand the information.

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Print Student's Name

Student's Signature

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Print Parent's Name

Parent's Signature

Preferred Phone for Parent Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email \_\_\_\_\_