



Keller High School

Wind Ensemble Contract

2010-2011

August 24, 2010

Since the Wind Ensemble is the top performing ensemble at Keller High School, there are standards in place to continue your success in this prestigious ensemble. Many of the rules and standards are more stringent than those of the other performing ensembles at KHS.

All the following objectives must be met for the entire year for you to be a performing member of this ensemble:

1] **I agree to have all of my supplies each day for class.** This includes instrument, all needed accessories (mutes, reeds, sticks, mallets, etc.) and all music. Also included will be my own personal copy of the *Essential Musicianship* Book (orange book) that I have each day.

2] **Attendance** - I understand that I must be in rehearsal to learn on a daily basis. I agree to have no more than 3 absences in a 9 weeks grading period for ANY reason. This includes excused absences (school field trip, extended illness, etc.) or unexcused absences (deciding to stay home to finish homework, sleeping in, etc.). This does not mean that if you have "saved" these absences at the end of the grading period that you may exempt yourself from class for that week. **KHS policy states that alternate tutorial times will be provided for students who have a before school/zero period class.**

The Band Directors will understand if an emergency or sudden illness occurs. Documentation will be provided by the student when required by the director.

No more than three tardies a 9 weeks will be allowed. Tardy is defined as not in your seat ready for rehearsal at the assigned time. *The paragraph on the next page defines when class will begin during the year:*

3] **Zero Period** - I agree that I will attend all rehearsals before the start of the official Zero Period starting time (8:00 am). With our level of literature and volume of music, we will have many rehearsals that will start as early as 7:30 am throughout the year. I agree to attend all scheduled rehearsals, regardless of start time. The attendance policy will apply.

4] **Performances** - I agree to perform at all KHS Wind Ensemble concerts and contests. This includes wearing the proper concert attire, and I understand I will receive a zero if this is not corrected for the event.

I must be aware of my schedule so there are no conflicts with work, church events, family events or study session, etc. (*Please refer to the calendar of events for the complete performance schedule*). Ample notice will be given if there is a date change or addition in the Wind Ensemble performance schedule.

5] **Required tryouts and performances** - I agree to participate in the All-Region Tryouts in December, and will honor participating in the Region Clinic/Concert in January. (This event happens over a student holiday). I will also meet my requirements for the KISD solo contest in May for my grade level.

6] **Sectionals** - I agree to attend my scheduled sectional each week during the spring semester. This is the time that individual assessment is made for each student, but also ensemble performing is evaluated.

Examples would be matching pitch and tone on your part, matching volume and balance with your section and performing the same style as your section. If a sectional is missed, it is the student's responsibility to make up that week with another comparable section (flutes-clarinets, bassoon - trombone, etc.).

Only one sectional may be missed and made up for the entire semester.

Thanks ahead of time for your hard work, great attitude and contributions to the Keller High School Wind Ensemble!!!!

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Acknowledgement Form

I agree to all of the requirements to be an outstanding musician in the Keller High School Wind Ensemble.

Student Signature _____

Print Student's Name _____

Date _____

Parent Signature _____

Print Parent's Name _____

Date _____