

Honors Recital – Wind Ensemble

Task: To prepare and perform a instrumental selection of your choosing.

You may elect to take honors credit one semester of this school year. **If doing so, you must let Mrs. Kerr know which semester you will be taking honors credit no later than the 10th day of school. Anyone who has not told Mrs. Kerr as of that date will be assumed to not be taking Wind Ensemble for honors credit this year.** Also, if you do not complete the honors requirements for the semester you have chosen, you will not receive honors points and may not take honors credit the following semester.

Directions:

1. **Choose your piece.** You may choose to perform a solo, duet, trio, or small ensemble, and you may choose the members of your group. You are responsible for choosing the music and learning all the aspects (notes, rhythms, etc.) on your own. The piece must be from traditional, jazz, or classical literature. No pop music will be allowed.

Please be realistic with your selection. It should be a selection similar to what we would perform as an ensemble or for an audition. Burrage Music is a great resource for you, and I have a few books here that you could look through also. **You will need to get your piece approved by Mrs. Kerr no later than September 19th for the fall semester and March 6th for the spring semester. She will need a copy at that time.** You may not change your piece after this date, so please do not wait until this date to ask if your piece will work!!

2. **Complete two coachings with Mrs. Kerr.** After all the notes and rhythms have been learned, you will be required to have two 30-minute coachings. **It is your responsibility to schedule your times with Mrs. Kerr**, as she will not be approaching students to plan these rehearsals. Students who wait until the final 2 weeks before the performance to schedule their rehearsals could potentially lose their opportunity to receive honors credit. A piece of this quality takes more than 2 weeks to rehearse properly for a performance.
3. **Perform the piece at a recital.** All students who are taking an honors class in the performing arts department at the end of the semester will perform in a joint recital. **The date of the fall recital is Thursday, Dec. 4th, and the spring recital is Thursday, May 7th.** During this performance, you will be critiqued and evaluated by a panel of performing arts teachers on not only the music, but your performance abilities as well.

The rubric for how you will be graded is on the back of this sheet.

GOOD LUCK!!