

DOBBS FERRY MIDDLE SCHOOL
Dobbs Ferry, New York 10522

COURSE OUTLINE

SUBJECT: Concert Band

GRADES: 8

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Concert Band offers 6th-8th Grade students the opportunity to learn about music theory, music history, and world music in a performance setting. In class, supplemented by bi-weekly lessons, students will develop performance skills on their instruments by exploring a diverse and challenging musical program. This class meets every other day, so independent practice is important to help students improve and develop the necessary musical skills. There will be two concerts this year at which all students are expected to perform and showcase their hard work and growth.

ANTICIPATED STUDENT OUTCOMES

- Students will improve individual performance skills, including tone quality, technique, intonation, and sight-reading.
- Students will be able to identify major characteristics of various styles, genres, and cultures of music.
- Students will be able to identify, describe, and apply appropriate musical terminology.

MATERIALS

Students must have their instrument, music, and a pencil for every class and lesson.

CRITERIA for ASSESSMENT

Assessments for this class will be both written and performance based.

Individual/Small group playing test will be administered during pull-out lessons, and all assessments will come with at least one week's notice.