

Riverton High School Symphonic Band

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Enrollment by Audition Only

A. Course Description

This is an advanced performance ensemble. Membership is by audition according to ability and instrumentation. It consists mainly of seniors and juniors, although some sophomores are admitted if their audition warrants it. The Symphonic Band participates in approximately four concerts each year. Other performances may be added to the calendar with at least a two-week notice. This band will represent the school at all Region and State music festivals. Depending upon the degree of musical excellence, the band *may* be involved in a tour every other year. The Band is reserved for those individuals who exhibit a dedication to their instrument and demonstrate this dedication by their advanced musical abilities. Private music instruction is strongly recommended. *Attendance at weekly after school sectionals is required for participation in Symphonic Band.*

B. Materials & Supplies

Members are required to have a quality musical instrument* and to maintain it in proper playing condition. Certain instruments may be provided by the school with a rental fee of \$75. The following materials are required as they apply to your instrument:

- “Foundations For Superior Performance” Method Book, by KJOS publications
- 4 (four) quality reeds with a reed-guard (woodwinds)
- Cleaning equipment i.e. swabs, snakes, brushes, etc.
- Proper lubricating oils
- Proper mutes, i.e. straight mute, cup mute (Jo-Ral / TrumCor brands preferred).
- Two sharpened #2 pencils

* If you plan to purchase an instrument, *please* consult with Mr. Fallon first. He will give valuable advice on where to look, and what to look for.

C. Fees** & Additional Expenses

Symphonic Band Class Fee:	\$20	
Jordan District Activity Fee:	\$40	(ONE-TIME-ONLY per student, per year)
District Instrument Rental Fee:	\$75	(for rental of school-owned instruments only – limited availability)

** All fees must be paid by the end of the 2nd week.

** All financial transactions must occur through the main office. Once a transaction is complete, submit one receipt to Mr. Fallon and keep the other for your own records. An accounting of the transaction will not be made until the receipt is submitted...No Exceptions will be made.

D. Concert Attire

Men: **Black** Tuxedo, socks & formal shoes, **White** tuxedo shirt – Purchase on own.
Black bow-tie & cummerbund

Women: Full-length **Black** dress – must be **completely black**, i.e. no white lace, pearls, etc.
(Avoid sleeveless & open-back styles, as well as dresses with slits along the side of the leg).
Low black heels and black/tan nylons. Dress patterns may be available as a cost-effective alternative for young women who would like to make a dress for concerts.

E. Grading Scale & Policy***

A	=	94-100%	C+	=	76-79%
A-	=	90-93%	C	=	73-75%
B+	=	86-89%	C-	=	70-72%
B	=	83-85%	D	=	60-69%
B-	=	80-82%	F	=	59% and below

*** Grading, Attendance, & Homework Policy for all instrumental ensembles available within the Band Handbook.