

# Riverton High School Percussion Ensemble (Advanced & Intermediate)

## Disclosure Document 2010-2011

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*Enrollment by Audition Only*

### A. Course Description

All percussionists at Riverton High School sign up for a percussion class. The classes will cover all aspects of being a percussionist including, Snare Rudiments, Timpani, Mallets, Auxiliary Instruments and a very heavy emphasis on mallet instruments. The class will perform several percussion ensembles at concerts and festivals, and will join the other bands in their concerts.

### B. Materials & Supplies

All percussionists will need to pay the school instrument rental fee for the use of all school equipment. It is also necessary for all percussionists to acquire the following essential equipment. (considering the cost of a wind players instrument this equipment is relatively inexpensive)

- “Simply Four” by Gifford Howarth, Tap-Space publications
- 1 Snare drum practice pad Approx. \$20
- 1 pair Vic Firth SD1 snare sticks Approx. \$7
- 1 pair Innovative IP240 marimba mallets Approx. \$25
- 1 pair Innovative RS251 vibie mallets Approx. \$28
- 1 Metronome
- 1 A-440 tuning fork

\* 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

Percussion Ensemble Class Fee:	\$20	
Jordan District Activity Fee:	\$40	(ONE-TIME-ONLY per student, per year)
District Instrument Rental Fee:	\$75	(All percussionists pay this flat fee to cover use of all instruments)

\*\* 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. Grading and Homework

At the beginning of each quarter every student will be given an objective sheet. This sheet will contain approximately 12 musical objectives that are to be accomplished during that quarter. It will include such things as scales, rhythm sheets, method book exercises, tuning charts, sectional involvement, tests, playing shakedown, etudes, etc. Tests will be returned within two class periods. Concerts are considered in the grades as major playing exams. The complete grading policy is included in this handbook.

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.

### E. Attendance and Discipline Policy

These policies will be the same as those contained in the current Riverton High School Band handbook.