

## About Mrs. Barclift

I'm so excited to start the year with you! This year is my 21<sup>st</sup> year of teaching. I have taught in Pitt (12 years) and Carteret Counties (going on 9 years). In addition to teaching at BCMS, I regularly help the bands at Croatan High School. When I'm not teaching I'm serving as the President of the NC Eastern District Bandmasters Association, adjudicating competitions and festivals, or planning the next outing with my family! ☺

- Communication is the key to success. Don't hesitate to email, send a REMIND message, or call me with anything you may need.
- My goal is for the BCMS Band Room to feel like "home" while you are away from home!

## Contact Me

### REMIND Messaging

### Google Classroom

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# Broad Creek Band Handbook 2019-2020



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# Band Products & Info

## Instrument Accessories



- BINDER
- Sheet Protectors
- Vandoren Reeds
- Oils
- Swabs
- Cleaning Supplies

## Recommended Store for Repairs & Accessories



Fuller's Music sends a representative to BCMS every **Tuesday**. This person can attempt minor repairs or take major repairs with them to the repair shop. Also, you may order items from the store, which are delivered on Tuesdays.

## Band Schedule

Elective	7:55-8:30
6-A	8:35-9:15
6-B	9:20-10:00
7-A	10:35-11:15
7-B	11:20-12:00
8-A	1:30-2:10
8-B	2:15-2:56

## How Should I Practice?

**Be Consistent:** Practicing a small amount on a regular basis is better than a large amount once a week. Document your practice: aka "Practice Record" – Due on Fridays

**Set a Goal and Make a Plan:** Determine what you need to practice and how you are going to accomplish your goal

**Be Prepared:** Have everything you need: Quiet Space, Music, Pencil, Reeds, Oils, Instrument, etc.

**Use Technology:** Metronome, Tuner, Video Record Yourself

**Good Technique:** back straight, feet flat on the floor – imagine Mrs. Barclift is sitting beside you. What would she say?

## Why Music Education?

**Music is Science:** It is exact and specific. Printed music is a chart which indicates intensity, volume, melody, and harmony all at once and with an exact control of time.

**Music is Math:** It is rhythmically based on the subdivision of time into fractions which is done instantaneously, not on paper.

**Music is Foreign Language:** Terms are Italian, German, or French and the notations are certainly not English. Music is a complete and universal language.

**Music is History:** Music usually reflects the environment and times of its creation, often the national or ethnic mood. Civilizations are defined by their art.

**Music is PE:** It requires coordination of fingers, hands, arms, lip, cheek and other facial muscles, in addition to control of the diaphragm, back, stomach, and chest muscles. These all respond instantly to the sound the ear hears and the mind interprets.

**Above all, Music is ART:** Art encompasses the one thing everything above doesn't have – **EMOTION**.

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*"The world's most famous and popular language is music."*

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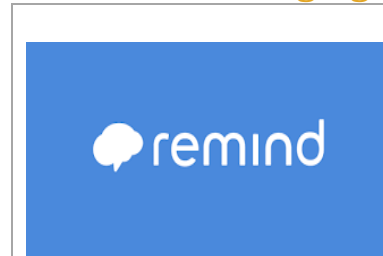
## This Year in BCMS Band:

### Band "Swag"



This year's band shirt is required for all students. We will wear this shirt at select performances throughout the school year. Please purchase a size that will last you through June. There are also long sleeve and hoodie varieties for you to choose, if wanted.

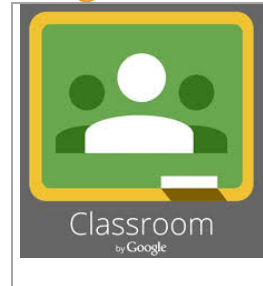
### "REMIND" Messaging App



Communication is VERY important. Due dates, reminders, concert info, and one to one communication are just a few of the benefits to using remind. **The REMIND code for YOUR CLASS is:**

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### Google Classroom App



BCMS Band Students use Google Classroom to watch and post videos. Students will create an account for all of their BCMS classes with their school email account. Band assignments and assessments are posted in Google Classroom. **YOUR CLASS CODE is:**

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# The Big Picture

## Welcome!

Welcome to the Broad Creek Middle School Band. This document is intended to serve as a reference for you throughout the school year. Parental support is critical to the individual growth of child. Being a part of the band instantly creates a team of members with a unified goal. I'm so excited that you have decided to be involved with music this school year!

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*"Music touches us emotionally, where words can't."*

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## Instruments/Music

Students are learning a skill in band. The process of reading music takes place through the development of their collective and individual progress. There are a variety of instruments used in "Concert Band". In general, here are the instrument "families" in the band:

- Woodwinds: Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet, Saxophone
- Brass: Trumpet, French Horn, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba
- Percussion: Snare & Mallets (plus school provided equipment)

Students are required to come to class daily with their required instruments and music. Inability to participate hinders the "team".

## Grading

Students earn their grades in band. The overall band average is determined by individual grades earned in the following categories:

	WITH a Concert	WithOUT a Concert
Test/Quiz/Assessment	40%	50%
Ensemble Contribution	20%	30%
Individual Musicianship	15%	20%
Performance Attendance	25%	

## Explanation on Grading...

Assessments – Playing or Written format

Ensemble Contribution – Have all materials and participate in class

Individual Musicianship – *WHAT* you practice is as important as how much you practice. A realistic goal is 15 minutes per day. Turn in your signed practice record on Friday.

Performance Attendance – Concerts are a fun time to show off the great music taking place at school. (an easy 100)

## Concert/Events Calendar – Mark Your Calendars

\***October 8, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade** Band Concert, 6:00 BCMS Gym

- BCMS Band Shirt and Black Pants

\***October 11, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade** Night at CHS Football Game

- BCMS Band Shirt

\***November 1, BCMS Dance, All Grades**, 3:00-5:00, Gym

- BCMS Band Shirt

\***December 10, All Grades**, CHS Auditorium, 6pm & 7pm

- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade & Jazz Bands: 6pm
- Jazz, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grades: 7pm

\***March 5, Pre-MPA, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grades**, CHS Auditorium

\***March 17, 18, or 19, MPA, Havelock, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grades**

\***May 19, All Grades**, CHS Auditorium, 6pm & 7pm

- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade & Jazz Bands: 6pm
- Jazz, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grades: 7pm

*All District Band Auditions, January 11, Greenville NC*

*All District Band Clinic, Jan 30-Feb 1, Greenville, NC*

*Carteret County Honors Band, April 2-3*

## Concert and Attire

Concerts are special occasions. Students are going to show off their hard work at these events. Events listed with a \* are essential for the grade levels listed (performance attendance). We make our first impression with our EYES, then our ears.

- BLACK or WHITE Dress Shirt (with a necktie, boys)
- BLACK Dress pants (no shorts or jeans)
- BLACK Dress shoes are also required – NO tennis shoes or flip flops; Nicer than what you wear to school.