

Kailua High School
Course Syllabus
SY 2007-2008

Course Title: Directed Studies Music 1A, 2A, 3A, 4A (Marching Band Period M)

ACCN: FMD 1100, 2100, 3100, 4100

Term Semester

Credit 0.5

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Philosophy on how students learn:

Students in this class are motivated to become the best musicians in the band. By utilizing the additional rehearsal time, they play their instruments the most out of all the band members. This enables the normally weaker musicians to receive additional help from older and more experienced players.

Students participate in football games, perform halftime shows for the school and competitions, and engage in recruiting trips to the Intermediate schools.

Additional discipline is maintained through verbal and physical exercises.

Course Description/Objectives

This course covers the fundamentals of the marching band. Marching technique, performing while moving, discipline and physical conditioning, school pride, commitment, and showmanship are all taught.

This course begins at the middle of August and continues throughout November, with two parades on the same day in December.

Students learn not only how to march in parade formation, but also participate in field shows. Competitions nurture humility, sportsmanship and character.

Hawaii Content Standards and Benchmarks:

Standard: (Students will) Understand and apply elements of music and understand how music communicates ideas, feelings, and experiences across cultures.

Benchmarks:

- Perform a variety of musical elements with appropriate understanding, expression and style individually and in a group
- Critique music using specific criteria

Expected School-wide Learning Results (ESLRs):

I. Communication: Demonstrate the ability to read, write, listen, speak, apply mathematical operations and access information.

D. Communicate with languages, mathematics, technology, exhibits and performances.

II. Reasoning and Problem Solving: Apply processes for learning and reasoning to think critically, to be creative and to make decisions.

A. Apply models of critical and creative thinking in different subject areas.

B. Describe the positive and negative effects of actions or decisions.

C. Demonstrate time management and planning skills.

III. Citizenship: Display integrity, responsibility, self-management and sociability.

C. Demonstrate quality workmanship.

IV. Health and Safety: Practice good health and safety habits.

A. Behave in ways that enhance physical, emotional and mental health.

B. Maintain a safe and secure learning environment.

GLO: General Learner Outcomes

This course will address the GLOs as established by the Hawaii DOE. (see attachment)

GLO 1: Self-Directed Learner: The ability to be responsible for one's own learning.

GLO 2: Community Contributor: The understanding that it is essential for human beings to work together.

GLO 3: Complex Thinker: The ability demonstrate critical thinking and problem solving.

GLO 4: Quality Producer: The ability to recognize and produce quality performances and quality products.

Habits of Mind

HOM 2: Managing Impulsivity

HOM 3: Thinking Flexibly

HOM 4: Thinking about thinking (metacognition)

HOM 5: Striving for accuracy

HOM 6: Questioning and posing problems

HOM 7: Applying past knowledge to new situations

Grading policy and procedure:

Based upon a 100% scale:

100-90% A

89-80% B

79-70% C

69-60% D

59% or lower F

Grading is based on rehearsal attendance, performance attendance and performance tests.

Scope and Sequence:

<u>Timeline</u>	<u>Topics/Activities/Assignments</u>	<u>Assessment method</u>
July/August	Marching basics Aerobic/strength conditioning	Drill downs Timed comparisons
August	Marching band camp	Before/after
August-November	Halftime show begins	Self assessment
October	Homecoming halftime, Moanalua Exhibition	Verbal, adjudication
November	Two Competitions, One exhibition	Adjudication, verbal

Student texts and Resources

Various music arranged by Henry Fu
Marching charts created by Henry Fu
Kailua High School Marching Band Alumni
Kailua High School Band Boosters