

**Course: Beginning Band (6&7)**

**In Sixth and Seventh Grade Band we will be focusing on beginning violin. Students will learn care and maintenance, music history and beginning playing techniques. Students will learn to read rhythmic notation both independently and in conjunction with pitch. Traditional notation will be stressed. Students will perform solo, duet, and ensemble repertoire in a variety of styles and settings. Music history will be taught as it applies to composers and time periods of the selected repertoire. This is a beginning course designed to spark interest and give students the knowledge to participate in after school and/or advanced band. The Grading breakdown will be as follows:**

**40% Summative-Final playing tests, History and written tests**

**30% Quizzes- Audacity files, written theory quizzes**

**20% Classwork- daily playing grade, WKBK and general worksheet questions**

**10% Participation**