

6th Grade Practice Card – 1st 9 Weeks

NAME:

HOUR:

PRACTICE DATES (MON-SUN)	DUE DATE (USUALLY MONDAY)	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	TOTAL MINUTES	PARENT SIGNATURE	LATE?	SCORE
9/27-10/3	4-Oct								X			
10/4-10/10	11-Oct								X			
10/11-10/17	18-Oct								X			
10/18-10/24	25-Oct								X			
(Extra Credit for Practice time during the week of 10/18-10/22, up to 10 pts!)									X			
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TEACHER USE ONLY												

EACH STUDENT’S HOMEWORK FOR BAND CLASS IS TO PRACTICE THEIR INSTRUMENT AT HOME FOR 100 MINUTES PER WEEK. (ABOUT 15 MINUTES PER DAY) STUDENTS WILL RECORD THEIR DAILY PRACTICE TIME ON THIS SHEET. PARENTS WILL SIGN THE PRACTICE CARD EACH WEEK ON THE DAY BEFORE THE CARD IS DUE (USUALLY SUNDAY) TO VERIFY THEIR CHILD’S PRACTICE TIME. A STUDENT WHO HAS PRACTICED 100 MINUTES OR MORE FOR THAT WEEK WILL RECEIVE A 10/10 SCORE. 90-99 MINUTES WOULD EQUAL 9/10, ETC. PRACTICE CARDS ARE DUE ON THE DAY LISTED ABOVE (USUALLY MONDAY) BY THE END OF SCHOOL. CARDS WILL ALSO BE ACCEPTED ONE DAY LATE (USUALLY TUESDAY) FOR HALF CREDIT. AFTER THE LATE DAY, NO CARDS WILL BE ACCEPTED AND THE STUDENT WILL RECEIVE A 0/10 SCORE FOR THAT WEEK. PRACTICE CARDS WITHOUT PARENT SIGNATURES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. THE AVERAGE OF YOUR STUDENTS WEEKLY PRACTICE CARD GRADE WILL CONSTITUTE 33% OF YOUR GRADE.

PRACTICING IS DEFINED AS:

- SITTING WITH CORRECT POSTURE ON A CHAIR.
- HOLDING INSTRUMENT CORRECTLY.
- NO TV, BROTHERS, SISTERS OR ANY OTHER DISTRACTIONS PRESENT.
- WORKING ON IMPROVING YOUR SKILLS BY COUNTING, PUSHING BUTTONS, AIR, PLAYING, ETC.

PARENTS PLEASE HELP YOUR STUDENTS DEVELOP A PRODUCTIVE PRACTICE ROUTINE. HELP THEM FIND A GOOD TIME AND PLACE TO PRACTICE AND PROVIDE LOTS OF ENCOURAGEMENT. YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO HEAR SLOW BUT STEADY PROGRESS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. PRACTICING FOR 100 MINUTES ON A SUNDAY NIGHT WILL FULFILL THE PRACTICE TIME OBLIGATION, BUT WILL NOT ALLOW YOUR STUDENT TO IMPROVE STEADILY. WE ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO PRACTICE AT LEAST 5 DAYS PER WEEK FOR 20 MINUTES DAY.