

**MASON HIGH SCHOOL WIND SYMPHONY**  
**HONORS CREDIT REQUIREMENTS**

**Freshmen / Sophomores:**

- No “Honors Credit”. It is an honor in itself for a freshman or sophomore to be placed in Wind Symphony. The student is being introduced to, and adjusting to the demands of learning collegiate and professional literature in preparation for his/her instrumental leadership in junior /senior year.
- Students must participate in Wind Symphony during all three trimesters.
- Attendance and participation in all performances including O.M.E.A. Solo and Ensemble Contest (Class C, minimum), as well as Large Group District and State Competitions (Class A/AA) are mandatory.
- Private Lessons are mandatory.

**Juniors:**

- All juniors in Wind Symphony must complete the Honors Credit Requirements.
- Students must participate in Wind Symphony during all three trimesters.
- Attendance and participation in all performances including O.M.E.A. Solo and Ensemble Contest (Class B/C, minimum), as well as Large Group District and State Competitions (Class A/AA) are mandatory.
- Attendance and critique of one collegiate or professional performance per trimester is mandatory. (The critique will be 1 – 2 pages in length, will be accompanied by the Program / Playbill, and will include the ticket stub if it is a ticketed event.)
- Private Lessons are mandatory.

**Seniors:**

- All seniors in Wind Symphony must complete the Honors Credit Requirements.
- Students must participate in Wind Symphony during all three trimesters.
- Attendance and participation in all performances including O.M.E.A. Solo and Ensemble Contest (Class B/A, minimum), as well as Large Group District and State Competitions (Class A/AA) are mandatory.
- Attendance and critique of one collegiate or professional performance per trimester is mandatory. (The critique will be 1 – 2 pages in length, will be accompanied by the Program / Playbill, and will include the ticket stub if it is a ticketed event.)
- Ten (10) hours of Community Service for the year. Community Service may begin during the summer leading to the beginning of senior year. A signed letter by the beneficiary or supervisor must be provided to the Band Director. The letter must state the nature of the completed Community Service, and the total number of hours dedicated to that service.
- A research paper of five pages (minimum) in length, with subject to be agreed upon between student and Band Director.
- Private Lessons are mandatory.