

“There’s only one first day of school”

7 questions that need to be answered.

1.) **Am I in the right room?**

My classroom will be labeled with Choir/ Percussion Room large enough for students to recognize it easily. I will also be standing right outside the door with a smile and approachable demeanor so the students for secure and relaxed.

2.) **Where am I supposed to sit?**

In my choir class there will be four raisers in the middle of the room set up in a semi circle. When choral students enter my room I will show them where to set their backpacks down and then have them fill in the spots on the raisers from right to left. Students will not be allowed to move if they see their friends come in. (with in the couple of weeks I will test the students on their vocal range and move them around accordingly).

In my percussion class there will be nine chairs set up in the room in a semi circle. When percussion students enter my room I will show them where to set their backpacks down and then have them sit in assigned seats. These chairs will not be here all year seeing as percussionist stand.

3.) **What are the rules in this classroom?**

The rules for the class room will be printed out and handed out to every student that enters my room. They will also be e-mailed home to the parents, posted on a board that is in plain view of the students in the room and will be reviewed once a week for the first month and a half.

4.) **What will I be doing this year?**

Students understand day to day procedures for all events in the class from tuning practice records in, how to enter the room, how the warm up process will go, hand signals for things such as water, bathroom, or nurse.

5.) **How will I be graded?**

Students in my class will understand that grading is only based on participation, attendance and performances for choir; and participation, attendance, practice records, note test and performances for percussion.

6.) **Who is the teacher as a person?**

Once rules and procedures have been understood by the students I will then give them a small slide show about myself that include hobbies, pictures, videos, schooling background and so on.

7.) **Will the teacher treat me as a human being?**

Students will know that I have a compassionate heart and know that once they have signed up for my class they have signed up to be in apart of a family. The students will understand my enthusiasm and passion for music and the feelings will hopefully be contagious.