Homedale High School Beginning Guitar Mr. Zieske jzieske@homedaleschools.org www.homedalemusicdepartment.weebly.com

Materials Needed at Every Rehearsal:

- Pencils
- Three-ring binder and sheet music
- Three-ring pencil pouch
- Instrument and relevant supplies (picks, capo, tuner, etc.)

Grading System:

50% - Playing tests, quizzes, and concerts

- Students perform playing tests in class or record themselves in another room/at home.
- Most quizzes are written tests that cover music theory and vocabulary.
- Students are expected to attend all *required* concerts (**listed in bold on the calendar**)
- Students who miss a required event need to submit a make-up assignment within ten days of the event (instructions for the assignment can be found on our website).
- *Optional* events are not part of a student's grade.
- Most optional events require auditions, paperwork, or student fees; make sure you plan ahead and communicate with Mr. Zieske if you are interested in these extra activities.

30% - Daily grade (participation, preparedness, etc.)

- Students are expected to come to every class prepared (see materials above).
- Students are expected to be engaged and participate during every class.

20% - Class assignments

• Assignments cover technique, vocabulary, music theory, composition, and more.

What to Wear to a Concert:

Let Mr. Zieske know if you need to borrow performance clothes from the school! **After-school performances:** (concerts and festivals)

- Top (white): white button-up shirt or blouse (black ties and jackets are optional)
- Bottom (black): black pants or skirt (full length), black socks or tights, black shoes

In-school performances: (assemblies, parades, recitals)

• Red t-shirt and blue jeans

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