

MEYZEEK MIDDLE SCHOOL

Band Challenge System

Challenges are utilized within the band program to motivate students to improve their musical and social skills. Do not take chair placement or challenges too seriously!

- 1). A student who is wanting to change their chair placement may challenge a student seated up to two chairs above them.
- 2). The same two people can be involved in a challenge a maximum of twice per semester.
- 3). No challenges will take place within three weeks prior to a concert.
- 4). The student wanting to challenge requests a challenge through the Band Director.
- 5). A date is set by the Director a minimum of three days/two nights later. Excused absences the day of the challenge will delay the challenge by the number of days missed.
- 6). Challenges must occur before or after school. There will be no class time devoted to challenges.
- 7). The director sets the music to be used for the challenge, which may be drawn from anything in the folder, method book, or scales.
- 8). If a student refuses to agree to a challenge, the lower chair automatically wins, but only after the director has consulted with both students.
- 9). All challenges will be “blind.”
- 10). If two students play equally as well during a challenge, the director will select additional music for the students to read.
- 11). After the challenge, good sportsmanship will be expected. Failure to be polite and shake hands will result in the loss of the challenge, and may result in the loss of all future challenge opportunities.
- 12). A student must wait for one week before challenging again.

