

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Writing Prompts

### Directions:

1. Pick at least 3 of the following writing prompts to answer. You may choose more than three, but no less. You will be given a grade for this assignment. Make sure it is written on lined paper and is legible.
2. Be sure to write in complete sentences, and to restate the question in your response.
3. Follow this plan as you write out your answer:
  - Introduction Paragraph
    - Your statement to the answer.
  - Body Paragraph (at least 2)
    - Giving examples or evidence that support your answer
    - What is the most likely argument or objection of your reader, and then provide information that proves it wrong.
  - Conclusion Paragraph
    - Restating your statement to the answer.
4. Ms. Hildebrand will read through the answers when she returns.
5. You will have the entire period to work on this in class. If you feel like you need more time to write a well-thought-out answer, you may take it with you and turn it in tomorrow.

### Pick from the list below:

1. What do you feel is an important thing you have learned in band this year? Why do you feel it is important? Remember, it does not have to be limited to musical things only.
2. What are some of your favorite moments from class or rehearsals this year?
3. Music can affect people in different ways. Tell me how music affects you, whether it is listening or performing it.
4. Why do you feel it is important to learn about music?
5. Why do you think it is important to be a member of an organization, group, or club at school?
6. Why did you choose to play an instrument in band? What do you think is special about your instrument?

7. "It's about the journey, not the destination." Explain what this quote means to you and how it applies to what we do in band.
8. What are some of the things we learn in band that have very little to do with reading music or playing our instruments?
9. What are you looking forward to about band next year, or even a few years from now?
10. Why do you enjoy being a member of the band? What is your favorite part?
11. What is your favorite piece of music we are performing on the concert, and why?
12. What does learning an instrument and learning to read music teach you about who you are as a person?
13. Compare being a member of band to being a member of a sports team. What similarities are there? What part do you play? What is the teacher's role?
14. If you could compare yourself to an instrument, which musical instrument do you think you are most like, and why?
15. What do you wish everyone knew about band that they might not know?
16. "Music educates the heart AND the head." Explain what this quote means to you.
17. How do you think your experiences in band are going to affect your life in the future?
18. How has being a member of the band changed you? What do you think your life would be like if you were not a member of the band?