

## Core Values and Beliefs

**As a music student at BTW, the following core values should be reviewed regularly and be reflected in your practice as a musician.**

**Students should value and believe:**

- That excellence is the rule at BTWHSPVA.
- That accepting a position at BTWHSPVA constitutes a commitment to a course of study in their chosen major.
- That a strong work ethic is essential for success.
- That character counts.
- That good listening skills are imperative in developing musicianship.
- That students should demonstrate accountability and dependability in whatever they do.
- That all students are capable of displaying excellence in both music and academic classes.

**Your instructors, who are among the best in their respective fields, are committed to your success. As such, they have adopted the following core values to guide the direction of the Music Cluster.**

**Students can expect from their instructors:**

- That we instill a high level of musical appreciation in all students.
- That it is our job to provide opportunities for students to showcase their talents.
- That our instructional role is that of a "guide on the side", not the "sage on the stage".
- That students come first in the decisions we make.
- That our primary role is to prepare students for success in college and post-secondary opportunities.
- That high expectations are clearly defined and communicated at every step of a student's educational career.
- That we play an essential role in helping students develop a greater sense of personal responsibility.
- That quality instruction is present in every classroom.