

Brunswick High School Music Department

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Dear Parents and Students,

I hope this finds you all well. I wanted to take a moment and provide you with the information with the upcoming District 1 Jazz Festival. This is one of two large group assessment festivals that we do for the jazz program. Our participation is critical to the success and continued growth of the program. For those of you who are unfamiliar with the Jazz Festival, we travel to the host school (the year, Sanford High School) and perform our set of music for a panel of adjudicators.

Following our performance, we are given a clinic with tips and techniques to help our students improve their performance. We are graded against a state rubric and given a score on a 1 - 100. This feedback is so critical and we look forward to another successful performance. Below, please find all the info you and your student will need for the night.

<u>WHO:</u> All BHS Jazz Students in; The Tuesday Jazz Ensemble, The Thursday Jazz Ensemble, and the Large Combo

WHAT: The District 1 Jazz Festival

<u>WHERE:</u> Sanford High School, Sanford https://goo.gl/maps/ThBdEUZNW3T2

WHEN: Tuesday, February 26th

- The Bus will DEPART BHS at 2:30 PM
- Combo Warms up at 4:00 PM, Performs at 4:30 p.m, Clinics at 5:00 p.m
- Tuesday Jazz Warms up at 5:00 p.m, Performs at 5:30 p.m, and Clinics at 6:00 p.m
- Thursday Jazz Warms up at 8:30 p.m, Performs at 9:00 p.m and Clinics immediately following
- The bus will arrive back at BHS by 11:00 p.m

WHY: To perform this set of music for highly educated adjudicators and teachers as well as to receive important feedback on how to improve our performance

HOW: We will travel by bus to Sanford

OTHER IMPORTANT INFO:

- Students will need money for dinner
- The performances are open to the public, however, there is an entry fee (usually around \$5)
- We will not stop on the way home
- JAZZ CONCERT ATTIRE is required (suits and all black as per usual)
- If you would like to transport your student home after the performances, please make sure you fill out the Release form available in the front office.

I believe that is all that I have for this awesome event! I am so excited to share our performance with not only the adjudicators, but also with you all.

I hope you are having a wonderful week! Please feel free to get in touch with me if you have any questions.

Thank you for all you do to support the Jazz program at BHS! With over 50 students participating in the program, we are very fortunate to have such enthusiasm for this art form. Thank you for your efforts in encouraging their involvement in it.

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