

# **HART DISTRICT JAZZ ALL-STARS**

## **2019**

The Hart District Honor Jazz Band program is designed to provide a challenging, exciting Jazz Band experience for the many outstanding musicians in our high school bands. It gives the opportunity for Hart District students to work together, in a small, more intimate, musical ensemble and create great music together.

This year's guest director will be Brian Carmody, acclaimed jazz drummer, composer, and Pasadena City College Jazz Director.

### **APPROXIMATE INSTRUMENTATION**

(Actual instrumentation will be determined by repertoire requirements and audition results)

2 alto saxophones  
2 tenor saxophones  
1 baritone saxophone  
4-5 trumpets  
4-5 trombones  
1-2 piano  
1-2 guitar  
1-2 bass  
1-2 drums/percussion/vibes

### **AUDITIONS**

Wednesday, February 20, 2019  
6:00 pm – 9:30 pm  
**West Ranch High School**

Students should report to West Ranch High School at their assigned time and sign in. There will be one warm up room for the jazz auditions. You are asked to leave the school upon completion of your audition so that other auditions will not be disturbed.

**This is the only time to audition.**

**REMINDER:** Students must choose one instrument for the auditions. You may not audition on more than one instrument.

**NOTE:** It is required that students be enrolled in their school jazz band during the second semester in order to participate in the District Honor Jazz Band. Students in the honor jazz band will be required to complete and return a participation contract to confirm their selection to the band.

### **AUDITION PROCEDURE**

Outside qualified musicians will judge auditions. The judges will be in full view. Students are to report to the assigned audition rooms, turn in judging sheets, and proceed with the audition.

The audition requirements are as follows:

Saxophones:

- Swing etude
- Improvisation – two choruses over Concert F Blues from Jamey Aebersold Volume 1 (no melody, just improv solo)
- Sight Reading
- Optional Doubles Ability – demonstrate abilities on flute/clarinet, play anything you want for no more than 30 seconds

Brass:

- Swing etude
- Improvisation – two choruses over Concert F Blues from Jamey Aebersold Volume 1 (no melody, just improv solo)
- Sight Reading
- Full range chromatic scale – any tempo

Piano/Guitar/Bass/Vibes

- Swing etude
- Improvisation – two choruses over F Blues from Jamey Aebersold Volume 1 (no melody, just improv solo)
- Sight Reading

Drums

- Swing, Ballad, Latin etudes
- Improvisation – two choruses on F Blues, alternating 4 bars solo with 4 bars time. Played without accompaniment CD.
- Sight Reading

### **SELECTION AND NOTIFICATION**

Selection of the honor band personnel will be completed as soon as possible. The list of those selected, including assigned parts, will be posted at each school the week following auditions. The selection and placement of musicians within the ensemble is at the complete discretion of the audition judges.

### **REHEARSALS**

Thursday	March 28	Location TBA	6:30 pm – 8:30 pm
Wednesday	April 17	Location TBA	6:30 pm – 8:30 pm
Thursday	May 9	West Ranch HS	1:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Friday	May 17	West Ranch HS	4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

<b>STUDENTS MUST ATTEND ALL REHEARSALS IN ORDER TO PERFORM AT THE HONOR BAND CONCERT.</b>
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**CONCERT** Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Super Jazz at the Ranch, West Ranch High School

Admission will be \$10.00 for Super Jazz at the Ranch, which includes a day full of jazz performances. The actual performance time will be announced as soon as it is finalized.