

Jazz Band Information:

Rehearsals are Monday and Thursday mornings from 6:30 until 7:15 am. Sectionals will be called on an as-needed basis and will be after school until the 3:30 bus arrives.

**Attendance at all rehearsals is critical to the integrity of our ensemble, and students participating in jazz band must have transportation to school early in the morning, otherwise they cannot participate. Students who miss more than three rehearsals can be removed from the band and have their place filled by an alternate. Also, a student may be dismissed from the ensemble for lack of effort, or a bad attitude.**

We will perform after the December concert, on the two spring concerts; perhaps do a holiday gig or two, and the Wichita jazz festival. We will also perform at the Spring Pep Assembly, and a few athletic events, if we are invited. I will keep you well apprised of these, and of course, you will be excused if you are playing in the athletic event at which we are performing (Go Lions!).

Students MUST purchase their own copy of our method book. Because the parts are specific, students should not buy the book until after they receive their part assignment from Mr. Edelman. If there is a lot of interest, we may have auditions for the band, or we may break into two bands, rehearsing at different times. Another option is to have a jazz band and either a big band or Latin band. We will cross this bridge when we come to it.

WE WILL START ON THURSDAY, 10/15 AT 6:30AM...DO NOT BUY YOUR BOOKS BEFORE THIS DATE, AS I WILL NEED TO AUDITION CERTAIN PARTS!!! DO NOT BE LATE!

Feel free to contact me with any questions.

Thank you,

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Detach and return to Mr. Edelman.

I have read and agree to adhere to all of the Jazz Band requirements. I understand that this is a commitment to an ensemble, and I may be dismissed from that ensemble for lack of preparation, attitude, or attendance problems.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_