

# 2017 Sun Prairie Honors Bands

## Saturday November 18, 2017

### Cardinal Heights Upper Middle School – Sun Prairie, WI

**Description:**

In 2004 the Sun Prairie Honor Band began and included students from each school in Sun Prairie, Wisconsin. In 2014 the event expanded by inviting students from other area schools to audition by recording and adding a 9<sup>th</sup> grade band to create the “Sun Prairie Honors Bands”. The festival now includes two bands, one consisting of 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and another consisting of 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> grade students. The goal is to provide inspiring musical opportunities for our 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, & 10<sup>th</sup> grade band students. Lunch, Dinner, a festival T-shirt, and a recording of the festival posted on Youtube are included in the experience.

**General Timeline:**

October 18, 2017 – All auditions are recorded and submitted  
 October 23, 2017 – Performers are selected, *music will emailed*  
 November 18, 2017 – Festival Day!

**General Festival Schedule:**

| 9 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Auditorium |                                  | 7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Band – Band Room |                                  |
|--|----------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| <b>8:30</b>  | <b>Registration</b>              | <b>8:30</b>   | <b>Registration</b>              |
| 9:30   | Rehearsal                        | 9:30  | Rehearsal                        |
| 11:30  | Sectionals                       | <b>11:30</b>  | <b>Lunch</b>                     |
| <b>12:15</b>   | <b>Lunch</b>                     | 12:15   | Sectionals                       |
| 1:00   | Rehearsal                        | 1:00  | Rehearsal                        |
| 3:00   | Guest Performance                | 3:00  | Guest Performance                |
| 3:45   | Final Rehearsal                  | 3:45  | Final Rehearsal                  |
| <b>4:45</b>  | <b>Announcements &amp; Photo</b> | <b>4:45</b>   | <b>Dinner</b>                    |
| <b>5:30</b>  | <b>Dinner</b>                    | <b>5:30</b>   | <b>Announcements &amp; Photo</b> |
| 6:15   | Warm-up                          | 6:15  | Warm-up                          |
| <b>6:30</b>  | <b>Concert</b>                   | <b>6:30</b>   | <b>Concert</b>                   |

**Audition/Selection Process:**

Students will be required to send an audition MP3 of scales and 2 etudes. Students may record their audition on Smart Music, audacity, or recorder plus app (free) any recording software/process that will create an mp3. Audition requirements are different for each band, please see the audition sheet for your band and instrument. Go to website: <http://www.spbb.org/cardinal-heights-bands.html> to download audition information/instructions and complete audition form.

**To Submit Your Audition:**

1. Complete the audition registration information at <http://www.spbb.org/cardinal-heights-bands.html> (registration will open October 1, 2016).
2. Audition MP3’s are due by October 19, 2016 and should be emailed to [jrmesne@sunprairieschools.org](mailto:jrmesne@sunprairieschools.org) Please label your MP3 recording with your first name.last name.instrument (e.g. Jim.Smith.oboe). Please submit recordings with all scales & etudes on one track.

Performers will be selected October 23 and music distributed to members.

**Cost:**

Tuition for selected Honor Band musicians is \$37 which includes all instruction, materials, lunch, dinner, T-shirt, and a recording of the day posted on youtube. This fee will be paid at registration. Each participating student will need to bring his/her instrument and accessories. Dress for the performance will be the festival T-shirts with jeans (no holes please).

**Dress:**

*Students will be given their official t-shirt upon Registration at Cardinal Heights.*

Rehearsal: Student should wear jeans (no holes please) and can choose to wear their festival t-shirt.

Performance: Jeans + Festival T-shirt

**Meals:**

Lunch & Dinner will be provided and are included in the tuition.

If you have any special dietary needs or concerns, please contact festival directors.

**Concert:**

Concert will be held at Cardinal Heights Upper Middle School. Address is 220 Kroncke Dr. Sun Prairie, WI 53590

Families can park in front and make their way to the Performing Arts Center, located in the middle of the school, by entering the silver doors in front. There is no ticket cost for the concert. It is free and open to the public.

Transportation:

**All transportation to and from the festival is the responsibility of the student.**