

# THE B STER BEAT

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**Booster Meeting:** March 1st, 6:30pm, SPHS Music Area

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## From the High School Podium



Happy New Year!

As we begin a new year, we look forward to a busy six months filled with great opportunities for our students. I continue to be amazed at all the great work our students, staff and parents continue to do to make the Sun Prairie Band Program the ever changing and dynamic program that it is.

We are in the solo/ensemble season now – every high school band student is required to play either a solo or ensemble at either **solo night** (**Tuesday, February 9** at the high school) or at **District Solo/Ensemble** (**Saturday, February 13** at Prairie View) Students received their solo back in November and should be well on their way to having all the notes down. The solo/ensemble is part of our third quarter curriculum.

Congratulations to **Robert Rockman** who will be one of four featured musicians at the Overture Center on Friday, January 29, 2016. Robert is a finalist in the “**Final Forte**” competition sponsored by the Madison Symphony Orchestra. The concert will be broadcast 12 p.m. Sunday, February 7.

Also, congratulations to the SPHS Wind Ensemble who appeared on NBC-15’s holiday special, “**Sounds of the Season**”. The band played the second half of Alfred Reed’s, “Russian Christmas Music.” If you would like to view it, the performance can be found at <http://www.nbc15.com/soundsoftheseason> or by visiting [www.nbc15.com](http://www.nbc15.com).

**Jazz I and II** have recorded and submitted their “Essentially Ellington” selections the week after finals as well. “Essentially Ellington” is a national festival in which 15 bands are selected nationwide via blind audition to participate. The “finals” are in New York City the first week of May. All students did an excellent job of advancing their musicianship along the way – congrats to all!!!

**All three jazz ensembles** are in preparation for the **Sun Prairie Jazz Festival** which will be held on **Saturday, February 20** at Sun Prairie High School. For the fourth consecutive year, we have been designated an “Essentially Ellington” regional festival. All three SPHS bands will participate in the all-day clinic and while jazz I and Jazz II will also perform in the evening concert. Clinicians this year are from all over the country and include Rodney Whitaker (Director of Jazz Studies at Michigan State University and outstanding jazz bassist), Dennis Mackrel (former drummer and leader of the Count Basie Orchestra), Todd Stoll (Vice President of Jazz Education at Jazz at Lincoln Center) and Rick Haydon from Southern Illinois University as well as many festival favorite clinicians.

We are concurrently running an improvisation clinic for teachers and music education students as well. This should be great though we will need a lot of help to make this one of the best festivals yet – if you can help out on this day, please contact any of the jazz chairs.

We also have SOSP kickoffs coming up, lots of concession/fundraising opportunities, the second fruit sale and a whole lot more! Hope to see you soon at one of the many exciting upcoming events!

Steve Sveum & David Rush  
SPHS Band Directors



## Jazz Program



### Jazz Festival - Saturday February 20

Our jazz program will host the High School Jazz Festival on Saturday February 20th. Our jazz bands will join several other bands from around the state for a day of instruction, evaluation and performance with top jazz clinicians.

In the evening, the bands will participate in a concert with the clinicians and have an opportunity to apply their new skills and techniques. The concert will start at 7pm in the Performing Arts Center. Please invite your family and friends. It is always a fantastic concert. Tickets will be sold at the door.

It takes many volunteers to make this event a success. Please consider one or more of the volunteer opportunities listed below and reply to [JazzChairs@spbb.org](mailto:JazzChairs@spbb.org) with the areas where you can help or sign up on CHARMS using this link: [Charms Office Assistant](#)



## **Events and Volunteer Opportunities for Jazz**



### **1) April 5 Spring Jazz Concert**

This is a standard jazz concert, with all of the SPHS jazz bands performing several songs.

### **2) Swing into Spring - March 12**

Swing into Spring includes all of the jazz bands and is held at one of the middle schools.



**Jazz Opportunities from Prairie Music and Arts**  
**798 Lois Drive, Sun Prairie, WI**

#### **1. Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 3pm**

A concert with Kattie Ernst: Little Words. She is a Chicago Bassist/Vocalist and will be joined by Dustin Laurenzi, Stu Mindeman, and Andrew Green.

**\*\*This concert will be followed by an educational clinic open to students of all ages.**

#### **2. Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm**

A solo piano concert with Rob Clearfield, one of Chicago's finest creative musicians.

**\*\*All tickets are \$10. All proceeds from ticket sales go to Prairie Music and Arts Jazz Program. Seating is rather limited, so reserve tickets ahead of time by calling 608-834-9550 or emailing [info@prairiemusic.org](mailto:info@prairiemusic.org)**

Visit [prairiemusic.org](http://prairiemusic.org) for more information.



## FROM Cardinal Heights Band



### **WSMA Solo & Ensemble Festival - Saturday February 13, 2016**

Many students have elected to take their solos and/or ensembles to festival on this day. At this point, entries are registered, fees are paid, and we are waiting to hear back about exact times. Some reminders as we move closer to this date:

- 1. At this point students should be a good grasp on their solo. As always, ask for help!!*
- 2. All measures should be numbered.*
- 3. Make sure you have many good reeds, a working instrument, and any other items you need.*
- 4. Practice performing for your family, friends, or even your dog!*

#### **Help Needed!**

Email - [knrush@sunprairieschools.org](mailto:knrush@sunprairieschools.org) OR sign up on-line at <http://goo.gl/VNkWNB>

*Please consider helping out to make this event a success on Saturday February 13, 2016. It takes a couple hundred volunteers to put on this festival between donating food, being a door monitor, helping in the cafeteria, and helping set up and tear down.*

### **Course Scheduling for next school year**

Students will soon be registering for classes next year (whether in 10th Grade @ SPHS or 9th Grade here at CHUMS). If you have any questions about how to fit music into your schedule, feel free to contact one of the directors and we'll help you navigate the scheduling options. An example of a music student schedule is available at [http://www.spbb.org/uploads/2/2/2/1/22215324/four\\_year\\_planning\\_guide\\_band.pdf](http://www.spbb.org/uploads/2/2/2/1/22215324/four_year_planning_guide_band.pdf)

### **Sun Prairie Middle School Jazz Festival - Friday, February 19 @ Cardinal Heights**

All Middle School jazz students (Prairie View, Patrick Marsh and Cardinal Heights) will have a great opportunity to work with clinicians to work on swing feel, style, listening, and improvisation. Students will have clinics during the school day at Cardinal Heights. After school they will work with our clinicians on improvisation and rhythm section. The day concludes with a free concert featuring all 5 bands and our clinicians!

**Wind Symphony & 9th Grade Band Tour, March 3 – 4**

Thursday, March 3rd the Wind Symphony and 9th grade band will depart for clinics in the Waukesha & New Trier, Illinois area. Bands will have the privilege of working music faculty at Kettle Moraine HS & Carrol College and hear the Youth Wind Orchestra of Wisconsin Thursday night and will share in joint performance and clinics on Friday at New Trier HS in Illinois.

- Permission slips due February 5th - available at (website: <http://www.spbb.org/cardinal-heights-bands.html>)
- Cost is \$85 payable to CHUMS

***Remember to join us for our concert March 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 when we welcome Dr. Caroline Beatty Director of Bands at Texas State University San Marcos.***

**Upcoming Dates**

- Thursday 2/11 - CHUMS Solo Night, 3 - 6pm
- Saturday 2/13 - Solo & Ensemble @ Prairie View Middle School (*volunteers needed - see above*)
- Tuesday 2/16 - Piano Solo Night @ SPHS
- Friday 2/19 - Sun Prairie Middle School Jazz Fest @ CHUMS (all day - concert at 6:30)
- Thursday 3/10 - CHUMS March Concert (7:00pm - 8th Grades, 8:00pm - 9th Gr. & Wind Symphony) w/ guest conductor, Dr. Beatty.

***Thank you!***

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# PMMS Band News

## Honor Band Updates

**NBA-WC Honors Band** - Congrats to Josh Caron (7th Tuba), Kallan Engleson (7th Percussion), Anastasia Rockman (7th Flute) and Alexandra Seery (7th Clarinet) who performed with the NBA-WC Honors Band on Saturday, Jan. 23 in Appleton, Wisconsin.

**Tri-State Honors Band** - Congratulations to Anastasia Rockman (7th Flute), Carter Helt (7th Tuba), Emily Henderson (7th Tenor Sax), Emily Tess (7th Horn), Austin Wells (7th Alto Sax), and Hannah Schultz (7th Bassoon) who were selected to participate in the 2016 Tri-State Honors Band in Decorah, Iowa. These students will perform with students from Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin on Saturday, March 5.

**WSMA Middle Level Honors Band** - This honors band takes place every October at the State Music Conference. Students must audition for a spot in this prestigious ensemble. Students must perform a Class B or A solo along with four required scales and sight-reading. To audition, complete the online registration and payment (\$23) by Feb. 5. <http://wsmamusic.org/ml-honors/auditions/>

## EPOCH Sound Pep Band Night Coming Soon! (Feb 5 @ SPHS)

EPOCH Sound Pep Band Night is Friday, February 5th. All 6th and 7th graders encouraged to participate. Information can be found here: <https://goo.gl/IP92ut>

<https://goo.gl/7SfTjS>



## WSMA Solo & Ensemble Festival - Coming Quickly, Need Help!

The WSMA Solo & Ensemble Festival will be held at Prairie View MS this year on Saturday, Feb 13. Our Friday Ensembles will participate in this event along with those of you who registered to perform solos and small ensembles. The schedule will be coming out soon. We need people to help serve as room monitors! It is easy to do and it is necessary to make the festival run (don't worry...you can still hear your kids play!). To sign up for a morning or afternoon shift just follow this link to the Sign-up Genius: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0e4ba9aa2caafa7-solo>



## Are You Practicing? Early Spring Band Concert to Feature 2016 Parent Band (Feb 23 @ PMMS)

**Parent Band** performance will be at the Early Spring Band Concert on February 23. Parent Band Rehearsal is Monday, Feb 15 (7-7:30 pm) Email Mrs. Haraldson if you would like to be a member of this award winning ensemble! ([smharal@sunprairieschools.org](mailto:smharal@sunprairieschools.org)). More information about this concert is coming out soon!

## 7th Band Trip to UW-Whitewater (Feb 25 @ UWW)

**The 7th Grade Bands** will travel to UW-Whitewater on Feb. 25 to work with Dr. Glenn Hayes, Director of Bands at UWW. The students will have the opportunity to perform in the amazing Young Auditorium, listen to the PVMS 7th Band, listen to presentations by UWW Music Students, and eat lunch on campus. We will depart at 7:45 am and return before the end of the day. If you are interested in being a chaperone, contact Mr. Gleason.







## Prairie View Band Room Banter!



**Solo Ensemble Festival** is just a few days away and we are working hard to make sure everything is ready for the big day! The “big payoff” happens in the weeks and months preceding the event itself! Students feel the urgency to make a plan and work the plan. Remember parents, if you have not signed up to help out for the festival, you can go to <http://goo.gl/VNkWNB> to sign up. Thanks for your support.

We are impressed with the increased action we’ve seen in the band room the last month! **Let’s keep practicing!** For your student struggling to practice at home, remember that the band room is open at 7 am every day and we are here until at least 4 pm most days so students can practice here. They can also come in during study hall and lunch recess.

**Sun Prairie Band Booster Lesson Academy** will begin at Prairie View on March 1<sup>st</sup> with Flute-Paula Paris, Trumpet-Jessica Jensen and Percussion-Ken Paris. Next fall will be a full slate of teachers. If your child plays any other instrument, there are openings at Patrick Marsh and CHUMS that they can fill!

**Our jazz bands** are up and running! The 6<sup>th</sup> grade groups meet after school on most Fridays. The 7<sup>th</sup> grade group plays its first note at 6:55 am on Tuesdays and Thursday. Thanks to parents who get these musicians to rehearsal on time in the morning and home after school.

There is a lot going on in the next several months:

- Our Parent Band** will be practicing on Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the Band Room at Prairie View.
- Our 7<sup>th</sup> grade jazz festival** is on Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup>. We will meet with our clinicians at the high school in the afternoon. Students will be bussed there for this clinic. There will be a pizza supper for all performers, followed by our concert in the evening.
- Our next concert** is Tuesday, Feb. 23<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the High School. Students will need to report at 30 minutes before the concert to warm up.
- The 7<sup>th</sup> grade band will be performing at UW Whitewater on Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>. Permission slips are due shortly! This is a favorite for students, as they get to perform in Young Auditorium at the UW Whitewater campus, meet with college students to work on instrument specific techniques and listen to another group play and evaluate their performance!
- Swing in Spring Big Band Extravaganza** will be March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. This is a great family friendly event that features loads of Big Band music! Come enjoy all the jazz ensembles in Sun Prairie in one place! Patrick Marsh hosts this event this year!

As always, call with questions!

Taking Note...

Mrs. Sederquist and Mr. Quaglieri





Thank you to everyone involved in making this year's SOSP Open Rehearsal on Sunday January 10th an incredibly well-attended and exciting beginning to a season we've had! There were over 100 students ranging from many new folks exploring what SOSP means to 5th year members returning for their last "hurrah!." Great job everyone - and keep that energy and excitement going in everything you do.

NOW.....

There are lots of first year students and families curious and excited about SOSP, but unsure about the schedule and time commitment. Let's work together to reach out to those families and help take down the myths and barriers and see if it may be a great thing for them as well!

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### **SOSP 2016 Kick-Off Dates:**

#### **SOSP 2016 Kick-Off Meeting** (for all returning & interested SOSP members & parents)

- Tuesday March 1st, 7pm @ SPHS (Enter Door #3)
- *Band Booster meeting at 6:30pm*

#### **SOSP 2016, Rehearsal #1!!!!**

- Saturday March 12th, 9:00am - 5:00pm @ SPHS (will lunch break from 12:00 - 1:30)
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### **SOSP Leadership & Drum Major Workshops**

New this year is combining our Drum Major Workshops with opportunities for anyone that wants to information about leadership on Wednesday afternoons, beginning Wednesday 2/17.

*3:30 - 4:15: Leadership Workshop (for anyone!!)*

*4:15 - 5:00: Drum Major Techniques (for those interested in auditioning this or ANY year)*

- February 17
- February 24
- March 2
- March 9

- March 16 - Drum Major Auditions Only (until approx. 7:30pm)
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### **SOSP Percussion Rehearsals begin in January!**

Winter rehearsal dates for students interested in the Sound of Sun Prairie marching band percussion section will begin in January 2016. These rehearsals are open to anyone interested in SOSP Percussion.

- February 21, 12:30 – 3:30pm, SPHS
  - March 6, 12:30 – 3:30pm, SPHS
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### **SOSP Color Guard Updates**

We are excited to get started with our color guard instructors for this year - Tracy Scott, Felipe Mendoza, & returning instructor Serena Hanson. Below are dates for all returning and prospective color guard members - students are welcome to come to a rehearsal and try it out!

- February 21, 12:30 – 3:30pm, SPHS
  - **\*\* NEW\*\*** - February 28, 12:30 - 3:30pm, CHUMS
  - March 6, 12:30 – 3:30pm, SPHS
  - *March 13 - possible and optional attendance at Winter Guard Show in Batavia, IL*
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### **SOSP 2016 Calendar**

This season's schedule will be similar to last season's schedule - beginning the third week of June and ending third weekend of July.

### **Spring Season**

- Saturday Rehearsals begin March 12th, 2016 and continue through school year
- There will be a break the second weekend of spring break (no rehearsal 26)
- Overnight Camp #1 will be Friday evening May 6 (no school) to Saturday evening May 7 and we can be at home for Mother's day!!
- There will be some other adjustments for drill learning weekend, camp weekends in May, etc.

## Summer Season

- "Everydays" begin Sunday June 14th and continue through June 23rd
- Performances will begin around June 23rd
- Flags of Freedom will be Saturday July 2nd
- Traverse City trip will be July 5th to July 9th
- MACBDA Finals Weekend, July 14 - 16th w/ Finals @ UW-Whitewater

## Fall Football Game

- Rehearsal Thursday 8/19, Performance Friday 8/20

Love that Sound!

Ian Melrose

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(608)318-8134

Director, Sound of Sun Prairie



## Chuckwagon needs ice cream buckets!

Please save and donate any empty ice cream buckets to Chuckwagon! Quite a lot are used throughout the SOSp season. Lids are not needed.

If you are able to donate, contact Trish Tazelaar at [ChuckWagon@spbb.org](mailto:ChuckWagon@spbb.org)

## From The Concession Stand

### Remaining UW Basketball Concessions Opportunities:



Wednesday, February 10

Sunday, February 21

Sunday, February 28

Sign up online at [spbb.org](http://spbb.org)!



## The Spring Fruit and Cookie Dough Sale

Keep your eyes peeled for information coming for the Spring Fruit and Cookie Dough Sale in March!

**We are also looking for one or two people to take over this fundraiser** since Bill and I will be graduating out of the band program at the end of next school year. Ideally, we would like someone who has at least 3 more years left in the program so we can train the new Fruit Sale Chairs next year to facilitate a smooth transition. We will also give you our customer list which is usually good for at least \$500 in fruit sales. So, if you have a young student in band and are interested in contributing your time to this great organization, please contact Bill or Ann Nelson at [FruitSale@spbb.org](mailto:FruitSale@spbb.org).

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Sun Prairie Band Boosters  
Knights of Columbus  
All You Can Eat Breakfast



MARCH 6, 2016 SUNDAY 7:30 AM TO NOON  
THE ROUND TABLE 1611 N. BRISTOL ST. SUN PRAIRIE

Menu: pancakes, waffles, french toast sticks, strawberries, whip cream, scrambled eggs, omelets, ham, hash browns, sausage, bacon, biscuits & gravy

### ***Proceeds go to Music scholarships***

Costs: adults \$10 per ticket  
Children 4- 10 pay at the door \$6

Parents/ students in the music program are asking to sell early bird tickets. Tickets can be picked up from band teachers at CHUMS or the HS. Please take only the amount you can sell. All money and unsold tickets are due Feb. 29th  
(We need to sell at least 150 tickets for event to take place!)

There will be a silent auction/Raffle.

If you know of anyone/business that might have a donation/service to put into a silent auction/raffle, please inform a SP Band Booster board member or contact SPBB president Stephen DeWitt at [sdewitt4@charter.net](mailto:sdewitt4@charter.net) or call 220-2521

We will be needing volunteers to help set up, serve, clean tables, wash dishes and clean up. Sign up will be on Volunteer calendar. Go to SPBB website to sign up [www.spbb.org](http://www.spbb.org)



## A Note from the Treasurer

When working or fundraising for your student(s), please note the **student's legal name**, not their nickname. Charms, our accounting system, lists the student's legal name (the name the school has on file). When the Treasurer enters a name it is importing from the school district. It does not recognize shortened names or nicknames.

Example: Kat Jones, is that Kathy Jones, Katherine Jones or Kathryn Jones. The Treasurer wants to ensure the correct student gets the credit.



## A Fireside Chat from the President

First of all, I would like to thank all those who donated to the music department truck campaign! We did it! We raised enough money to get a much-needed tool to help the music department with their transportation needs in the upcoming years. This will allow reliable service of movement of musical instruments/staff and equipment for musical events. I would like to thank Kris Tazelaar and the truck committee in completing this goal that we've had for the last 2 years.



Special thanks to Kevin Mengelt and the Maureen Mengelt foundation for the incredible Matching funds campaign. This foundation has helped so many youth in music and youth sports in the Sun Prairie area.

Kevin, you and the foundation is a true blessing to our community!

I would also like to thank all members of the different committees and leadership positions in their endless work in providing great opportunities for our children in music here in Sun Prairie.

I know that this time of year are music department has many things going on which we will all be involved in. As parents of the students, I asked each and every one of U to find a way to help support the music department in volunteer opportunities in the upcoming months. Our Jazz department remains busy in preparing for the upcoming middle school and Jazz on the Prairie Festival and next week we have WSMA Solo & Ensemble Festival at Prairie view middle school. Please considering helping and these great events.

Our UW concessions are wrapping up this month with a few remaining basketball games to help with. we will be looking for a concession help during the Carrie Underwood concert in May. Please Go to the concession stab under the SPBB website.

We will be attempting something new fundraising event in March. The Knights of Columbus has agreed to support the Sun Prairie Music department in hosting an All you can eat breakfast at The Round Table on March 6. It will run from 7:30 in the morning until noon. We will need volunteers for many activities. We are asking parents and students to sell adult tickets for the event. Please see the informative section regarding this in the newsletter.

Again, Thank you for all your time, energy and passion towards this great musical program.  
Stephen DeWitt  
SPBB president



### **Twenty Middle School Students Selected to Tri-State Honors Band**

Six 7th grade band students from Patrick Marsh Middle School, seven 7th grade band students from Prairie View Middle School, and seven 8th grade band students from Cardinal Heights Upper Middle School have been selected recently to participate in the 2016 Tri-State Honors Band in Decorah, Iowa on Saturday, March 5th.

The students are:

#### **Patrick Marsh Middle School**

Carter Helt - Tuba  
Emily Henderson - Tenor Sax  
Anastasia Rockman - Flute  
Hannah Schultz - Bassoon  
Emily Tess - Horn  
Austin Wells - Alto Sax

**Prairie View Middle School**

Lalana Appasani - Flute  
Mara Bunderson - Flute  
Molly Buchheim - Trumpet  
Taylor Jensen - Flute  
Kate Kopotic - Alto Sax  
Julia Knudten - Trumpet  
Shruti Subramanian - Flute

**Cardinal Heights Upper Middle School**

Destini Tetzlaff - Flute  
Jordan Hogg - Clarinet  
Brenna Johnsen - Bass Clarinet  
Erica Lohr - Tenor Sax  
Ann Tess - Bari Sax  
Mickey Keating - Trumpet  
Kira Brown - Trumpets

Two bands of 105 members each will rehearse during the day and present a concert at 6:00 pm in the Decorah High School Auditorium in Decorah, Iowa. Over 30 schools from Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Iowa will participate in this honor band festival. Other activities for the students and directors include a “Mini-Concert” and specific director sessions pertaining to Middle School band issues.

The festival is supported by the Decorah Band Boosters and Kephart’s/West Music Center, Inc. of Decorah.

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***Sun Prairie Band Boosters******Student Ledger Usage Guidelines:***

- 1. Ledger balances can be found on CHARMS - [charmsoffice.com](http://charmsoffice.com)*
- 2. Ledgers are to be used within the fiscal year they are earned, no later than August 1st of the preceding school year.*
- 3. All Student Ledger funds not used within the fiscal year, are transferred to SPBB General Fund on August 1 of following fiscal year.*
- 4. Requests for use of Student Ledgers for below items require a 2 week notice to the treasurer ([treasurer@spbb.org](mailto:treasurer@spbb.org)) in order to properly process the information and write a check, unless otherwise noted.*
- 5. All **field trip requests** must have a printed statement from CHARMS showing the student’s balance and the amount you would like to use from the ledger. Please staple this statement to the permission slip.*



***Approved Sun Prairie Band Boosters Uses & Estimates***

*\*Please note - any trips may not include some meals expenses*

**1. Band field trips/clinics**

- a. HS Wind Ensemble Spring-\$100+ approx
- b. HS Symphonic Band Spring-\$100 approx.
- c. HS Concert Band-\$TBD
- d. CHUM Wind Symphony/9th Grade-\$90 approx.
- e. CHUM 8th Grade-Kalahari-\$40 approx.

**2. HS Jazz Groups Festivals/Clinics**

- a. Generally \$30-40 per day plus meals approx.
- b. \$100 overnight plus meals approx.
- c. New York- fundraising and TBD approx.

**3. Other trips TBD****4. Sound of Sun Prairie**

- a. Fee-\$700-\$800 approx.
- b. Uniform Parts and Accessories
  - i. shoes
  - ii. gloves
  - iii. extra parade shirts beyond the one included with their fees
  - iv. other uniform parts as determined by director.

**5. Summer Music Camps**, approved by band director.

- a. providing proof of registration
- b. submit bill to boosters for payment directly to camp.
- c. If you do not attend the camp, you need to reimburse boosters the cost of the camp.

**6. Honors Ensembles tuition**, if accepted; including Wisconsin State Honors Ensembles, WYSO, Winds of Wisconsin.

- a. providing proof of registration
- b. submit bill to boosters for payment directly to WSMA.
- c. If you do not attend the Honors camp, you need to reimburse boosters the cost of the camp.

**7. Private Lessons**

- a. Lesson teachers must be SPASD Band Director approved
- b. Maximum of \$1,000 use per school year (October 1 and paid out by August 1)
- c. 2 weeks before payment is needed, log into CHARMS, and confirm your ledger balance covers the cost of lessons and then email [treasurer@spbb.org](mailto:treasurer@spbb.org) with your request to use the student ledger to pay the private teacher.
- d. Check is made out to private lesson teacher and can be picked up from CHUMS band director, Ian Melrose ([ipmelro@sunprairieschools.org](mailto:ipmelro@sunprairieschools.org))

**8. Band Lesson Academy**

- a. Lesson teachers are SPASD Band Director approved.
- b. Maximum of \$1,000 use per fiscal year(October 1 and paid out by August 1)
- c. 2 weeks before payment is needed, log into CHARMS, and confirm your balance covers the lessons and then email [lessonacademy@spbb.org](mailto:lessonacademy@spbb.org) with your request to use the student ledger to pay for Band Lesson Academy lessons.

**Band Field Trips & How to use SPBB Fund Raisers:**

Fundraising helps you earn funds for band boosters and also your student ledger. This ledger can be used to pay for field trips, private lessons, Sound and Jazz fees and many other band related expenses. For families wishing to use their student's ledger to pay for this field trip, please go to [charmsoffice.com](http://charmsoffice.com). Log in as a parent. Our school code is **SunPrairieASBand**. Use your student's school ID number as the temporary password if this is your first time in Charms. Click the "financials" icon and view your student's statement.

If you would like to use all or a portion of your student's ledger balance towards the cost of the trip:

1. Print the statement
2. Indicate how much you would like to use and staple it to your student's permission slip along with a note requesting the use of the ledger to pay for the field trip.
3. Return both to your director prior to the trip. \*

*\*\*\*Statements/requests returned after the trip cannot be honored\*\*\**



## Varsity Awards—How do I earn awards by participating in Band?



- 1 point per semester in Band
- 1 point per semester in Jazz (one point given for Essentially Ellington in NYC)
- 2 points for participation in Epoch Sound (1 football and 1 basketball)
- 3 points per season in Sound of Sun Prairie (entered in July)
- 2 points for participation in SPSHS “Pit” Orchestra
- 1 point for participation in Solo & Ensemble (no points for “Solo Night”)
- 1 additional point for participation in State Solo & Ensemble
- 1 point for WYSO
- 1 point for High School Honors Band
- 1 point for Winds of Wisconsin
- 1 point for Full Orchestra
- 1 point for Winter Guard
- 1 point for Chamber groups (.5 point per semester)

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| Varsity Letter | 12 points or greater |
| Instrument Pin | 24 points or greater |
| Ribbon         | 36 points or greater |
| Medallion      | 48 points or greater |

**Varsity letters and pins will be awarded at the  
Spring Band Concert and at the end-of-season Sound picnic.**

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