

2018 Sun Prairie Honors Bands

Saturday November 17, 2018

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 9th grade band to create the “Sun Prairie Honors Bands”. The festival now includes two bands, one consisting of 7th & 8th grade students and another consisting of 9th & 10th grade students. The goal is to provide inspiring musical opportunities for our 7th, 8th, 9th, & 10th 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 17, 2018 – All auditions are recorded and submitted
 October 22, 2018 – Performers are selected, *music will emailed*
 November 17, 2018 – Festival Day!

9th/10th Grade Conductor – Dr. Pamela Bowen Bustos



Dr. Pamela Bowen Bustos joined the music faculty at the University of Wisconsin-Superior in 2002, where she serves as Director of Bands and Instrumental Music Education. Dr. Bustos earned a Bachelor of Music Education Degree and a Master of Music Education in Band Directing Degree from Appalachian State University of Boone, North Carolina. She earned the Doctorate of Arts in Wind Band Conducting from the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley in 1997 where she studied with conducting with Dr. Kenneth Singleton and clarinet with Thomas Massey. She has had the privilege of studying with several other prominent conductors throughout the United States including Jerry Junkin (University of Texas at Austin), Eugene Corporon (University of North Texas), and Stanley DeRusha (Butler University). Prior to her current position at UWS, Dr. Bustos taught at the University of Minnesota, Morris for five years and as a middle school band and orchestra director in North Carolina.

7th/8th Grade Conductor – Rachel Maxwell

Mrs. Maxwell currently serves as the Director of Bands at Traughber Junior High School and as the Junior High Band Coordinator for the district. She has taught music education courses at VanderCook College of Music in Chicago and North Central College in Naperville, IL and has been invited to be a guest conductor, clinician and adjudicator at a number of music camps and festivals including the Music for All National Summer Symposium, the NC All-State Middle School Band, ISYM at the Univ. of Illinois, Il State Univ. Junior High Camp and several IMEA District Level Festivals. She is also a part of the team from Oswego who commissioned and premiered *Sheltering Sky* (2012) by John Mackey, *Sol ye Sombra* (2014) by Donald Grantham and *Atmosphere* (2016) by Scott McAllister.



General Festival Schedule:

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

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, 2018).
2. Audition MP3's are due by October 17, 2018 and should be emailed to 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 22 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.