

2019 Sun Prairie Middle Level Honor Band

Saturday November 16, 2019

Cardinal Heights Upper Middle School – Sun Prairie, WI

Description:

The goal is to provide inspiring musical opportunities for our 6th, 7th, and 8th 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 16, 2019 – All auditions are recorded and submitted

October 21, 2019 – Performers are selected, *music will emailed*

November 16, 2019 – Festival Day!

Conductor – Patty Schlafer

Patty Schlafer has been teaching middle level music in Wisconsin's private and public schools for over thirty years. Ms. Schlafer's interests are varied and have led to an active professional life as both teacher and performer. A UW-Madison graduate, her formative years of teaching began in the Madison Area Catholic Band Program and under the mentorship of Jan Tweed for the Waunakee Summer Band Program. She currently teaches music at Mount Horeb Middle School and has been a member of a collaborative team of music teachers there since 1989. Ms. Schlafer has a master's degree in Curriculum Theory and Design where her research included a study of musical tastes of the adolescent band student.



She has been guest conductor and horn instructor at numerous summer music camps throughout Wisconsin. As a horn player, she is a retired member of the Madison Symphony Orchestra, Wisconsin Chamber Orchestra, and Artemis Horn Quartet. She currently performs with the Madison Wind Ensemble and Acme Brass. Ms. Schlafer also serves as one of the orchestra conductors for the Verona Area Community Theater.

General Festival Schedule:

7 th /8 th Grade Band – Band Room	
8:30	Registration
9:30	Rehearsal
11:30	Lunch
12:15	Sectionals
1:00	Rehearsal/Photo
3:00	Guest Performance
3:45	Final Rehearsal
4:45	Dinner
5:30	Announcements - Q & A
6:15	Warm-up
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, 2019).
2. Audition MP3's are due by October 16, 2019 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 21 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.