



Sun Prairie High School Bands

Jazz II

Expectations - 2013-2014

“I believe in professionalism, but playing is not like a job. You have to be grateful for the opportunity to play.

-Wynton Marsalis

Participation in band is an invaluable experience you will draw upon your entire life, and like any worthwhile endeavor in life, the more you put into it the more you get out of it. In order to ensure a positive impactful experience for all those involved on this journey there are expectations that must be met by each musician. These expectations dictate our success as a band.

Participation:

Jazz II meets:

- Full Band (everybody) - Tuesdays 6:45am to 7:45am
 - evening rehearsals every three weeks or so.
- Improvisers only - Wednesdays 6:45am to 7:45am
- Rhythm Section only - Thursdays 6:45am to 7:45am

Participation in a band requires the members of the ensemble to be timely prepared. The down beat of every rehearsal is the published starting time. Before this time it is your responsibility to gather your materials, read the board, organize your music, find your seat, begin warming-up individually, and tune as a section to best prepare you for full the ensemble. During the rehearsal many instructions will be given and it is your responsibility to attentively listen to each of them and apply them as best suited.

Preparation:

“The question is, if not talent then, what is the secret to success? Extensive research, it turns out, has come up with a very specific answer to that question: from art to science and from board games to tennis to music, it has been found the answer is quite simple and unequivocally consistent. Practice. Every great champion has put in their time”

– Matthew Syed *Bounce: Mozart, Federer, Picasso, Beckham, and the Science of Success*

Every musician in this ensemble is just that. A musician, and capable, and has the resources to decipher the notes, rhythms, articulations, dynamics, and every drop of ink on the page. That is your responsibility. It with the full ensemble we will bring the ink to life

Respect:

It is essential this ensemble and department treats everyone and everything in this ensemble and department with great respect. This includes taking care of your instrument, cleaning up after your-self, treat those around you with courtesy, and every facet of respect in between.

“The most respect is given those who respect the most” – Mr. Kadings mom.

Sectionals:

Microscopes can see the finest details of a subject. In rehearsal we will pick at the details in efforts to enhance the full affect. It is your job to pick at the details that can not be reached in the large ensemble setting. Each section is suggested to hold at minimum of one sectional per week.

Materials Needed:

Every craft has tools of the trade and without the proper tools it is impossible to get the job done to the level demanded.

At every rehearsal you need:

- Your instrument in working order
- All the accessories needed to play your instrument (Mouthpiece, reeds, sticks/ mallets ect..)
- All of your JAZZ music
- Any and all handouts from previous rehearsals.
- Metronome
- Tuner

Woodwinds:

- Mouthpiece cap
- Cork grease
- Swab appropriate for your instrument
- Extra working reeds

Brass

- Valve oil
- Mouthpiece brush
- Slide grease
- Mutes needed for band music

Rhythm Section:

- Everything your music calls for
- Amps and cords

Attendance: There are many events throughout the year. In addition to the concerts this year Jazz II will be performing at three festivals and may go on a tour. An ensemble cannot succeed without every individual performing. Therefore, attendance at each of these events is essential.

Full Rehearsal, Concert and Festival Schedule

10/1 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

10/2 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

10/3 Rhythm Section 6:45-7:45am

10/8 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

10/9 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

10/10 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

10/10 Full Ensemble 6-9pm

10/15 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

10/16 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

10/17 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

10/22 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

10/23 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

10/24 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

10/29 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

10/30 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

10/31 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

10/31 Full Ensemble 6-9pm

11/5 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

11/6 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

11/7 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

11/12 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

11/13 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

11/14 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

11/14 Full Ensemble 6-9pm

11/19 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

11/20 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

11/21 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

11/24 NIU Clinics - Noon

11/26 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

12/3 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

12/4 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

12/5 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

12/5 Full Ensemble 6-9pm

**12/7 Big Band Dance
7:30pm**

12/10 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

12/11 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

12/12 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

**12/13-14 Jazz II/ Sym Band
Tour**

12/17 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

1/7 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

1/8 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

1/9 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

1/9 Full Ensemble 6-9pm

1/14 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

1/15 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

1/16 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

1/21 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

1/22 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

1/23 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

1/28 Full Ensemble 6-9pm

11/30 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

2/1 New Trier Jazz Fest

2/4 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

2/5 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

2/6 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

2/11 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

2/12 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

2/13 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

2/15 SPHS Jazz Fest

2/18 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

2/19 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

2/20 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

2/20 Full Ensemble 6-9pm

2/25 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

2/26 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

2/27 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

3/4 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

3/5 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

3/6 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

3/11 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

3/12 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

3/13 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

3/13 Full Ensemble 6-9pm

3/18 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

3/19 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

3/20 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

3/25 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

3/26 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

3/27 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

3/27 Full Ensemble 6-9pm

4/1 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

4/2 Improvisers 6:45-7:45am

4/3 Rhythm 6:45-7:45am

4/8 Full Ensemble 6:45-7:45am

4/8 HS Jazz Concert 7:30

4/15 Full Ensemble 7am

After 4/15 TBA.....