RHS 2025 - 2026 Vocal Jazz Audition Information

All students auditioning MUST:

- 1) Fill out a student information survey here.
- 2) Sign up for an audition time slot (link will be emailed after the survey is completed)

Audition Component 1: Individual Standard Performance & Vocalizes

Each singer will have an 8-minute individual audition time to sing for Ms. Woodbury and Jake Houser (no other students will be in the room at this time).

During their assigned time, students will perform a jazz standard that they have selected and prepared. If possible, students should use a background track (YouTube is fine; please contact the director if you need assistance finding a track in the right key/tempo). Students may also sing a cappella if they choose.

If you need help choosing a standard or finding a backing track, contact Ms. Woodbury at rlwoodbury@seattleschools.org and she can help you! You can find a list of recommended standards here, but feel free to choose a standard not on that list as well.

Ms. Woodbury and Jake Houser will also lead the student in a series of vocalizations to assess range, tone, and intonation.

Students will be able to sign up for an audition time of their choice, on June 10th, 11th, or 12th from 7:30 - 8:30am, or on June 10th between 4:30 - 6:30pm.

Audition Component 2: Ensemble Performance Proficiency

********This component is on Friday, June 13th from 4:30 - 5:30pm and is REQUIRED for all auditioning students. Please email Ms. Woodbury ASAP if you have an unavoidable conflict********

All singers will perform 8 bars of a vocal jazz chart on their chosen voice part (Soprano, Alto, or Baritone). Auditioning singers will perform their part with other singers in a variety of combinations, including with one student on a part. Ms. Woodbury and Jake Houser will be listening for style, sense of ensemble, part independence, and blend between voices.

PLEASE NOTE: We will release the chart & practice tracks in advance; the expectation is for students to learn their own part before this audition day.

If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to Ms. Woodbury at rlwoodbury@seattleschools.org.