

Murphy Junior High School Jazz Band

Student and Parent Permission & Contract

2023-2024

Please read the following page carefully.
Then sign and return this to Ms. Karvelius by **Friday, September 29**

Jazz Band is intended to be an extracurricular ensemble of the Murphy Junior High School Band Program. All members of the jazz band must make a serious commitment to the ensemble in order for it to be successful. Students in Jazz Band will have the opportunity to play a variety of different styles of music in a group that is different from what they encounter in concert band.

WHEN

Jazz Band members will meet **Tuesday and Thursday mornings with optional Friday afternoon rehearsals**. Morning Rehearsals will go from **7:15 - 8:00 a.m.** Friday afternoon rehearsals will be from the end of the school day until **4:30 p.m.** **Students are strongly encouraged to attend Friday rehearsals! There will be 1 Friday rehearsal a month that students are required to attend so we can all rehearsal together.** Students who go to high school for math must attend Friday rehearsals in order to participate in jazz band. This group will only be successful if students are able to make the majority of rehearsal meetings. Students who miss a Thursday rehearsal should plan to try to “make-up” that rehearsal by coming to the following Friday.

It is the expectation of the group that rehearsals are attended and students practice the material outside of rehearsal. The Jazz Band will be performing at several concerts throughout the year. Attendance at performances is required for all members. **If you have a conflict, it is vitaly important that you communicate this in advance!**

There is a district fee for jazz band that is \$25 and will be put on the student's pushcoin account. In addition, students need to purchase the jazz band shirt which will be \$15 (make check out to Murphy Jr. High Music Boosters)

I/We have read and understand the requirements and expectations of the MJHS Jazz Band with special attention to:
Rehearsal and Performance Attendance
Rehearsal Days and Times
Commitment to Ensemble

And agree to abide by everything stated above in my/my child's tenure in the MJHS Jazz Band.

I/we received a copy of the Jazz Band Calendar and agree to make the best effort possible to be at as many rehearsals as possible. I also agree to be in attendance at every performance.

Signed:

(student)

(Parent)

Performances and Rehearsal Schedule

Jazz Band

Friday rehearsals are OPTIONAL for students who attend both Tues and Thurs rehearsals. If a student misses a rehearsal, they must attend Friday. Students who go to high school for math must attend Friday rehearsals. **Highlighted rehearsals are those that ALL students should attend in order to put together all of the students' work once a month.**

Tues/Thurs - 7:15-7:55 a.m.

Fri - 3:30-4:30 p.m.

1st SEMESTER

Rehearsals:

September - 21, 26, 28, **29**

October - 3, 5, (no 10 or 12), 13, 17, 19, **20**, 24, 26, (no 27), 31

November - 2, 3, 7, 9, 10, 14, 16, **17**, 21 (no 23, 24), 28, 30

December - 1, 5, 7, 8, 12, (no 14), **15**

Friday, December 15 - 1st semester party! - bring a drink and something to share - pizza provided!

Performances:

Oswego Jazz Festival - Saturday, December 2 at Traugher: Specific Time TBD, but it will be before noon

Winter Music Concert - Thursday, December 14

2nd SEMESTER

Rehearsals:

January - 9, 11, **12**, 16, 18, (no 19), 23, 25, (no 26), 30

February - 2, 6, 8, **9**, 13, 15, (no 16, 20), 22, 23, 27, 29

March - (no 1), 5, 7, 8, 12, 14, **15**, (no 19), 21, 22, (no 26, 28, 29)

April - (no 2), 4, **5**, 9, 11, 12, 16, 18, (no 19), 23, (no 25), 26, 30

May - 2, 3

End of the Year Celebration: May 17 3:30-4:30 - (pizza provided, bring a drink and something to share)

PERFORMANCES

Possible festival - TBD

Murphy Meet & Greet - Thursday, February 15

Jazz Cafe at Bednarcik with the BE and MU Jazz Bands—May 7 at 7:00 P.M.