

Eckstein Bands & Vocal Jazz Parent Meeting
April 1, 2019

Great concerts in the past two weeks!!

April

- Next Generation Jazz Festival – Sr. Jazz. Question about what ID is needed for out-of-state trip? None really needed for 14 and under. Student ID is fine, though. Mr. E will have student pictures. Instrument plus one carry on. Big instruments will be checked.
- Rummage Sale on 20th. **In desperate need of a 6th or 7th grade parent who can shadow this to take on next year.** Two day job that makes you look like you did a lot, but really very doable. Two days of hard work only!
- Musical performances – tiny group this year, mostly jazz and a flute, some specialty instruments. 12 kids. More like a small combo with woodwinds. John is a great music theater person, great with kids. We don't have the music yet, but working on it.

May

- 3rd - Jazz bands to Bellevue H.S. Jazz Festival – Intermediate, Junior, & Senior.
- 5th- 3rd annual Moc Fund! Hosted in View Ridge from 3-6pm. Adults only (unless kids are the entertainment). Great fundraiser for the program. \$1200 first year, \$7000 last year. Great way to get parents together! Open to all, and really don't want it to be jazz band exclusive. Vocal groups and drumline parents, please come! Taco Bar this year for Cinco de Mayo. Also inviting alumni this year. Any ideas about messaging is appreciated. Sue Wong can send invite all parents, so no one is left off.
- 11th - Music in the Parks with Vocal Jazz II, Intermediate concert and jazz bands. **Short on chaperones (we need 5 more) for Music in the Parks.** Leave early Saturday (7:30am), takes 3 hours, one rest stop. Oaks Park. All three groups perform. It's a tiny park with a little bit of everything . . . tiny little vintage roller coaster. They don't look terribly unsafe. Dinner there (park burger with curly fries or slice of pizza), lunch on bus or at park. Three hours at the park, then on the bus for home. Quick day trip.
- Same day (11th) Drumline in BDX.
- 24th - Folklife with Sr. Jazz (2:40 or 3pm) & Wind Ensemble (a little after lunch). Good performance times at the Mural amphitheater. Lunch at the Food Court, where there are dance lessons! Really fun, but conga lines don't belong at Swing Dance.
- 31st Fri-Sun - Silverwood, Wind Ensemble & Choir is going, too, with own transportation and boarding, but going as one Eckstein unit. Leave Friday morning on charter bus, stop at summit. Lunch at rest stop. Check in to Triple Play hotel, which has some fun stuff to do.

Summer Music for incoming 6th graders July 1-19th - Roosevelt has our updated calendar. Mr. E is already interviewing incoming 6th graders, who will be selecting electives soon.

No info on Roosevelt jazz auditions yet, but email will come out when it's available. Format is generally the same . . . go in as a group and listen to each other play. Expectation that they show respect and stay calm all day. Bring a water bottle.