

**Eckstein Band and Vocal Jazz**  
**Last Meeting**  
**June 2019**

Can't do anything without the parents! Thank you, parents! Thanks you, Balika! The protocols just keep getting passed down.

Silverwood was so smooth. They played really well, and clean. Came home with a trophy and a half!

Roosevelt Music – Laurel (flute) testimonial. Do marching band! Jazz! Orchestra! Recommends band camp. First weekend of school. In woods near Mt. Rainier - sets the community and you start the year with friends. Most kids go to Freshman Band . . . a point of growth for a lot of people, and a "filtration process". Some kids don't stick with it, and some do. It's a cohort.

Lots of opportunities for percussionists. Band boosters and Jazz Boosters, the same and different depending on instrument, may be in one or both. Like at Eckstein, parents run things . . . even more so.

Mr. E recommends that everyone try something in there first year. There will be a place for everyone. Don't let sports get in the way . . . there is agreement with coaches to share the kids. They can do more than just music.

Jazz Band IV – Gets a great sound, with amazing growth (after school)

Jazz Band III – More nurturing (before school)

Jazz Band II – Three days a week after school (after school)

Marching Band in parades all over the place, Spring Band Camp on Whidbey, neighborhood marching. Marching band is FUN! Also pep band at basketball & football games. (after school)

Vocal jazz has been having a ton of clinicians come in, some world class, and they are sounding great! They go to Camp Burton.

Being in band looks good on college applications. Also, gives kids a community. Keeps them out of trouble.

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Concert Band (Freshman Band)  
Symphonic Band  
Wind Ensemble  
Jazz Band I  
\*\*\*\*These are the four classes\*\*\*\*

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\$600 "membership" to be in a jazz band, then no cost for travel. The rest is covered by boosters. They clean up Husky Stadium after a home game, which makes money & volunteer hours for kids.

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Calendar

June 4<sup>th</sup> – Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Open House, Ice Cream Social

June 6<sup>th</sup> – All Bands Concert

June 3<sup>rd</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> Roosevelt Music Auditions – Saxes & Brass on Sunday, rhythm section is most serve wracking. Incoming & existing play together.

Next week – scale tests

June 13<sup>th</sup> – Swing Dance

June 18<sup>th</sup> – Sr Jazz to Grateful Bread during lunch and our class. Won't miss class time.

June 18<sup>th</sup> pm – Instrument Petting Zoo – 4 or 5 stations for kids to try out instruments.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion – Next year's Wind Ensemble plays

### Summer

July 1-19<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Music Camp

Aug 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> – Vocal Jazz I Rehearsals

Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> Sr. Jazz Rehearsals

Cornish is good for Jazz

Shoreline Jazz camp with Jim Cisco

See the handout for camps around Seattle. A lot of great clinicians participate.

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\*\*\*See schedule for next year's tentative dates.

Security will be at all events in response to increased "activity" around the neighborhood. We used to do this. Good to have extra eyes.

Didn't do Hampton this year due to snow on the pass. Bus driver said it's really getting bad. May do a different trip next year.

**Volunteer** opportunities for coming year: we need a **note taker**, and even more importantly, a **Monterrey coordinator**. We have one Silverwood Coordinator, Rummage Sale, Combo Coordinator, and Moc Fund.