

Trumpet - Trombone - Alto Sax - Tenor Sax - Bari Sax - Piano - Bass - Drums - Guitar - Vibes

Middle School Honor Jazz Band

2018 Contra Costa County 16th Annual Honor Jazz Band

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Dear Jazz Educators and Student Musicians,

The Lafayette Generations in Jazz Foundation is once again sponsoring the Contra Costa County High School Honor Jazz Band concert on Sunday, March 4th at 3pm at Northgate High School , in Walnut Creek. This year's director will be Kyle Athayde. Please encourage your top jazz students to audition for the band as it promises to be an exciting opportunity for them. Come play with the best of CC County!

Students are required to attend all rehearsals, sound check and the performance. Have your students consider all dates. If they cannot commit to 100% attendance, they should not audition. The Honor Jazz Band auditioning students must pre-register through their middle school music teachers no later than Friday, January 19th, 2018. Each student will pay a \$20 audition fee. See payment details on the Middle School registration form, which you can download from our website, www.gijf.org

Individually-Assigned Auditions will be scheduled for Sunday, February 4th, 2018 from 9:00am-12:00pm Location TBD. NO WALK-ONS!!

Audition Requirements: PDF's can be downloaded at www.gijf.org

- **Horns:** All State swing etude by George Stone.

- **Rhythm Section:** All State Swing, Latin and Ballad excerpts by George Stone.

- Sight reading of a short selection comparable to what will be performed

- An optional improvised tune with a recorded play-along accompaniment, which you should bring to the audition if you need it (such as Jamey Aebersold). Improvisation is not required to make the band, but preference will be given to those who do.

Rehearsals at **Stanley Middle School (3455 School St, Lafayette, CA 94549)**

- Saturday, February 24th- 11:00-1:30pm

- Monday, February 26th - 6:00-8:30pm

- Thursday, March 1st – 6:00-8:30pm

- Saturday, March 3th – 11:00-1:30pm

Performance at **Northgate High School (425 Castle Rock Rd, Walnut Creek, CA 94598)**

Sunday, March 4th – 1:45 – 2:30 (Sound check); 3pm (Performance)

After the auditions, the names of the selected students will be e-mailed to all schools by February 14th. If you have any questions, please contact us at lkellogg@brentwood.k12.ca.us

Sincerely,

Lindsay Kellogg & Daniel Parenti - Coordinators

\$5 tickets will be sold through band members or at the door (open seating)

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