

Mission Bay High School Dixie Jazz Band

Thanksgiving Jazz Festival

It is that time again!!! The Mission Bay High School Dixie Jazz Band is being featured in the Thanksgiving Jazz Festival at the Town and Country Hotel in Fashion Valley. This event is organized by our sponsors, America's Finest City Dixieland Jazz Society. This organization contributes more than \$5,000 to the jazz band here at Mission Bay each year. The band has been playing this festival for almost two decades.

This event is mandatory for all musicians enrolled in the Jazz Band. If we are missing one person the whole band will be affected. **Any student who misses this event will be dropped from the class with a lowered grade.** Participation in this event also helps to pay for students' travel expenses for our Sacramento trip at the end of the year. This is an opportunity for students to experience what it is like to play at a professional jazz festival.

All students are expected to find their own transportation to and from the Town and Country Hotel except for the first morning. Students are expected to meet at the "Instrument Storage Room" **one hour before every performance.** Students are free to stay at the festival or leave between performances. There will not be any adult supervision between performances so please plan accordingly. **If students stay at the festival they are expected to stay in full band uniform and behave in a professional manner. Any inappropriate conduct will result in expulsion from the festival and jazz band.**

All students will receive a musician badge for themselves and one companion badge. These badges will allow admittance to any of the events. I will have extra badges for Sunday's show so students can invite more guests. Students will also receive food coupons for lunch. Professional bands come from all over the globe to play at this event. I encourage all students to take advantage and listen to as many bands as possible. In the past this festival has been a great source of inspiration for the band including myself.

Few things in this world are free- this is!!!!!!

All alternates are to play at the following three performances. Alternates will perform in the first show of every day Friday-Sunday. See schedule for exact performance times. Alternates are welcome to attend all performances though they will not be able to perform during the afternoon/evening shows. **Let's make this event great. Thanks for all your hard work!!!**

Sincerely

Mr. Balmat

Thanksgiving Jazz Festival Schedule

November 27 (Friday)

- 10:00am: All students (alternates included) will meet at the band room in uniform. Students will travel together to the Town and Country Hotel.
- 11:00-11:30: Tour of Town and Country Hotel
- 11:30am: Meet at Instrument Storage Room
- 12:30-1:30am: Students will perform at the Grand Hall Foyer
- 5:45pm: Sac Band meets at the Instrument Storage Room
- 6:45-7:4pm: Sac Band performs at Grand Hall Foyer

November 28 (Saturday)

- 10:30am: All students meet at the Instrument Storage Room
- 11:30-12:30am: Students will perform at the Grand Hall Foyer
- 2:45pm: Sac Band meets at the Instrument Storage Room
- 3:45-4:45pm: Sac Band performs at California Room

November 29 (Sunday)

- 8:15: All student meet at the Instrument Storage Room
- 9:15-10:15: Student will perform at the San Diego Room
- 2:30: Sac Band meet at the Instrument Storage Room
- 3:30-4:30pm: Students will perform at the Grand Hall Foyer