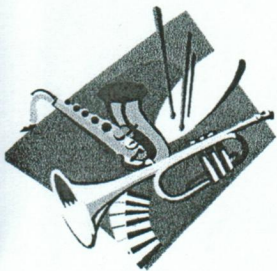


VALENCIA HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ BANDS 2012



Welcome to another exciting year of Jazz! Practice is underway and the students are preparing for their competitions and concerts ahead. For those of you new to the program, the two Jazz Bands will perform in several Jazz Festival Competitions with the largest being the Reno Jazz Festival at the University of Reno in Reno, Nevada. This Jazz Festival draws incredible groups from many states including college and professional bands. Their performances, clinics, and opportunities to learn from instructors and professional musicians make this a rewarding learning experience while enjoying the incredible talent and music offered.

Both Jazz Bands perform at the local *Steamers Jazz Club* in Fullerton. This experience allows them to perform in a public venue where professional Jazz performers are featured weekly. We highlight our year for you with a Jazz Guest Artist concert in the spring, which features a professional jazz performer who rehearses with the students and then performs with them for an enjoyable evening of jazz. This gives them a rare “up close and personal” chance to learn from a top performer in the field who enjoys giving back of their time to promote the love of performing and listening to music.

The students will also perform at school concerts including Tiger Jam that showcases all our winter/spring performing groups.

While our entire schedule is not set at this time, the date for the Reno Jazz Festival is April 26 – 29. I will be making out a full schedule as soon as the dates are firm, and as dates come in, the information will be passed on to you. The easiest way to get the

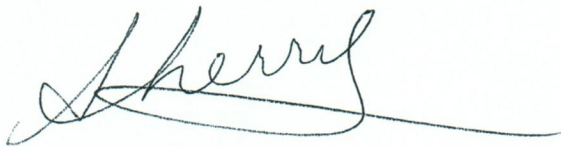
information to all the parents is by email. I need an email from each *parent* and please make sure to allow your computer to accept emails from me.

We will also be starting our biggest fundraiser of the year in another week. This fundraiser has the potential to easily pay for the entire season's pledge commitment! More will be forthcoming on this and I will be talking to the Jazz Bands about it as well.

I am looking forward to another great year of jazz and I know the students are as well. As always, I would encourage everyone to come out and listen to our talented students perform and give them the support they so richly deserve! If you have any questions please feel free to contact myself or Pete Perez. My phone number and email are as follows:

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sherry", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Sherry Heuler

VP Jazz

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