

PLEASE READ THROUGH THIS ENTIRE PACKET PRIOR TO SIGNING UP FOR AN AUDITION!

Students interested in being a part of the 2024-25 WGHS Jazz Band must successfully complete an audition. Students will submit recordings using the FlipGrid App. Information and instructions about how to submit the audition materials will be provided the week of April 1st.

Students may audition on one or more of the following instruments:

- Alto Saxophone
- Tenor Saxophone
- Bari Saxophone
- Trumpet
- Trombone
- Guitar
- Bass
- Piano
- Percussion

Saxophone, Trumpet, and Trombone

- Play 2 Major Scales (up to 4 flats and 4 sharps – your scale, not concert) *
- Play 1 Blues Scales (Key to be chosen Bb, F, C, or G – your scale, not concert) *
- Prepare Etude #1**
- Improv over Bb rhythm changes

Guitar

- Play 2 Major Scales (up to 4 flats and 4 sharps – your scale, not concert) *
- Play 1 Blues Scales (Key to be chosen Bb, F, C, or G – your scale, not concert) *
- Improv over Bb rhythm changes

Piano

- Play 2 Major Scales (up to 4 flats and 4 sharps – your scale, not concert) *
- Play 1 Blues Scales (Key to be chosen Bb, F, C, or G – your scale, not concert) *
- Improv over Bb rhythm changes

Bass

- Play 2 Major Scales (up to 4 flats and 4 sharps – your scale, not concert) *
- Play 1 Blues Scales (Key to be chosen Bb, F, C, or G – your scale, not concert) *
- Improv over Bb rhythm changes

Drum-Set

- Demonstrate different styles (Bossa Nova, Funk, Rock, Swing, Afro-Cuban)
- Improv over Bb rhythm changes

**All scales will be chosen at the audition by the panel of judges. Students do NOT get to choose which scale is performed.*

*** Etudes available on Website.*

**To sign up to audition, please fill out the form on the
WGHS Music Department Website by March 29th**

<http://wginstrumentalmusic.weebly.com/auditions.html>

If selected as a member of the 2024-25 WGHS Jazz Band, students must meet the following requirements

- Understand that Jazz Band is a Zero Hour Class meeting every day before school. Students enrolled in the class must provide their own transportation to school every morning. All WGHS/SUSD Attendance and Tardy policies are strictly enforced. Students should only audition if they have a reliable source of transportation to attend the class before school.
- **Saxophone, Trombone and Trumpet ONLY:** Enrollment in one of the following classes for the 2024-25 School Year
 - Concert/Marching Band
 - Symphonic Band
 - Percussion Ensemble
 - Wind Ensemble
- **Piano, Guitar, Bass, and Drum-Set/Percussion**
 - It is HIGHLY recommended that you are enrolled in one of the above ensembles but is not required.

Please contact Mr. Buchen if there are any questions in regard to enrollment requirements.

- If as student has a grade 60%-69.99%, they are placed on the Intervention List. The student will be on the list for 3 weeks and is still eligible to participate if they complete MYP/Study Hall for the appropriate classes. If the student has a grade below 60%, they become ineligible. Any member who is ineligible for 2 consecutive grade checks may be removed from the WGHS Jazz Band and replaced by another student by audition. Students that are removed from the WGHS Jazz Band may risk losing class credit and will not be able to reaudition for the WGHS Jazz Band until the following school year.

If your student is being home schooled or has applied for open enrollment to Walden Grove High School, please e-mail Mr. Buchen PRIOR to registering to ensure eligibility in the WGHS music program.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Buchen at jacob.buchen@sahuarita.net