

**Illinois Music Educators Association**  
**District IX Jazz Festival**  
*St. Charles North High School*  
*November 14, 2009*

Dear District IX High School Jazz Directors:

Please read through the following information concerning the festival on November 14<sup>th</sup>. If you have questions about the enclosed material, please contact John Wojciechowski (jwojciechowski@d303.org) for questions about jazz band and Mike Molloy (michael.molloy@d303.org) for questions about vocal jazz.

- Please note the CD order form. Please copy and distribute this as needed.
- **Please note the request to RSVP for students and director lunches** (not pre-paid, just a rough count).

**Location:**

St. Charles North High School  
255 Red Gate Road  
St. Charles, IL 60175

**Directions:**

St. Charles North High School is located on Route 31, about one mile north of Route 64.

**Bus Drop-off and school entrance:**

Students and directors should enter through door 11. To get to the drop off area, turn left at Red Gate and proceed all the way across the parking lot towards the auditorium. Bus parking will be available in lot closest to route 31.

**Registration:**

Directors and students should arrive between 7:15 and 7:45 am. Directors should proceed to the check-in and students should report to their rehearsal space (see enclosed schedule). Check-in will take place just inside door 11.

**Concert Attire:**

Gentlemen: dress pants, dress shoes, tie and optional coat.  
Ladies: dress or blouse with skirt/pants.

**Equipment:**

- Music stands will be provided.
- **Guitar players and bass players must bring their own amps, cords, extension cords and power strips for the rehearsals.** For the concert, SCN will provide a bass amp and guitar amp. Bass and guitar players are **required** to use these amps to lessen the amount of time between performance groups.
- Drummers must bring their own drum set for rehearsal. For the concert, SCN will provide a 4 piece drum-set. Drummers may substitute their own bass drum pedal and cymbals for the performance.
- Vibists should bring their own set of vibes. SCN will have one set on the stage for you.
- Pianos will be available in each rehearsal space.

**Fees and student participation:**

Only students whose names appear on the Official Billing List of Selectees may participate in the festival. Substitutions are only made by the organization representative. Notify the representative immediately if you know in advance there will be an absence. All fees (including audition fees) must be paid before students can participate in the festival. **No student may participate in the All-State Festival who has not participated and performed at the district level. There are no exceptions.**

**Music:**

Students who receive music prior to the festival must bring that music to the festival, and must prepare their individual parts prior to the festival so guest clinicians do not have to spend time rehearsing notes and rhythms.

**Repair Service:**

Quinlan and Fabish Music will be set-up in the Auditorium Lobby for light instrument repairs.

**Director Responsibility:**

Directors are responsible for the attendance and conduct of their students during the festival. IMEA policy states that at least one director from every school must be in attendance during the entire day. Students participating in the festival without a director present may be withdrawn from participating in the festival and disqualified from All-State consideration. Directors are encouraged to check in on their students periodically throughout the day. No student is permitted to leave campus during the festival without their director's approval.

**Director's Meeting:**

The directors' meeting will take place at 9:30 am in the LRC.

**Recordings of the Concert:**

Both the sound reinforcement at the concert and the recording itself will be provided by Richard Peck of RJ Recording and Sound. Please see the enclosed CD Order Form for information on how to order an RJ Recording and Sound recording of each concert. The cost for the professional recording and sound reinforcement is subsidized primarily by the sale of the recordings. Please duplicate this sheet as needed.

**Admission to the Concert:**

Families and friends of the student participants are strongly encouraged to attend the afternoon concerts. Admission will be \$3.00 per person. Please inform parents the house will not open until 15 minutes prior to each performance. Enter through door 12.

**Lunch:**

Lunch will be available for purchase in the Cafeteria. Pizza (Cheese or Pepperoni), hamburger, cheeseburger, chicken patty, assorted cold sandwiches, chef salad, French fries, assorted bagged chips, cookies, brownies, assorted drinks. To ensure we have enough food for the students, please RSVP by Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> with a count to Brian Wis at [bwis@d303.org](mailto:bwis@d303.org).

The director's lunch buffet will take place in the LRC from 11:00 a.m. to Noon. Cost of the director's lunch is \$8.00 payable at the festival. To ensure we have enough food, please RSVP to Brian Wis ([bwis@d303.org](mailto:bwis@d303.org)) by Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>.

## 2009 IMEA District 9 Jazz Festival

	Jazz Band 3 Room 302	Jazz Band 2 Room 142	Treble Jazz Choir Room 140	Jazz Band 1 Room 144	Combo in Pod area	Jazz Choir Room 141
8:00 AM	Rehearsal	Rehearsal	Rehearsal	Rehearsal	Sound Check	Rehearsal
9:00 AM		Sound Check			Rehearsal	
10:00 AM					Sound Check	
11:00 AM	Lunch	Lunch	Rehearsal	Lunch at 11:30	Lunch	Sound Check
12:00 PM	Rehearsal	Rehearsal	Lunch	Sound Check	Rehearsal at 12:15	Lunch
1:00 PM	Sound Check 1:00-1:30		Rehearsal			Rehearsal
2:00 PM	Concert Perform First	Concert Perform Third	Concert Perform Second			
2:30 PM						
3:00 PM						
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