

PENNCREST JAZZ NIGHT

Dear Jazz Band Director:

We would like to invite your jazz ensemble, lab band, and/or combo to be a part of **Penncrest Jazz Night** to be held on **Saturday February 4, 2023**. This is an independent, “pre-season” show designed around making your band better, getting your students to enjoy it, and building connections within our jazz community. Some of the things we offer:

- Group Clinic: Playing and Listening as an Ensemble by the Tony Deangelis Group. This is a session for all participating bands, held before your performance.
- Section Clinics: After the group clinic, we will break up into sections where our guest artists will work with your students at a more personal level.
- Food! Dinner and snacks will be available throughout the evening for purchase.
- Evening Performances: Your group will get recorded feedback from Tony’s band members which will help you define your sound as you prepare for future performances, and one of the pros will work with your band personally following your performance.
- Our professional group will play a set after the school groups perform.

This is a great opportunity for middle and high school bands, combos, or your second jazz band, to come out and perform in a no-pressure, educational environment. You don’t have to worry about the level or makeup of your group, or if you have three charts ready yet. Our clinicians, and the experience in general, will serve to make your kids better. We have space available for twelve bands.

Enclosed you will find further festival information. Please reply promptly to reserve your jazz band’s place in this year’s festival. You can mail in the form, email it to me, or register online at <http://penncrestband.org/jazz-night>. Should you have any questions, our contact information is listed below. We look forward to seeing you on February 4th!

Sincerely,

Craig Snyder
Director of Bands
Penncrest High School
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610-627-6325

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February 4, 2023

Registration Fee

Your school's registration fee of \$125.00 helps to defray the cost of our professional performers/clinicians, and is payable to "Penncrest Band."

Arrival 3-3:30PM

Meet your student guide, load in, check in to your homeroom, and come to the auditorium.

Group Clinics 3:30-4:20 PM

The afternoon will begin in our auditorium, as students in all bands will experience a group clinic held by our guest artists. The clinic will focus on ensemble playing, listening, interpretation, and the roles of each player in the group. Questions are encouraged!

Instrument Section Clinic 4:30-5:20

Instrument Section Clinics are back this year! After the Group Clinics, we will break up into sections where our guest artists will work with your students at a more personal level.

Food

Dinner will be served in our cafeteria. We will have a variety of food items including allergy and diet-specific offerings for purchase. If you have a student that has particular needs, please contact me in advance and we will do our best to accommodate. Snacks will be available throughout the evening at our snack table near the performance area.

Performance with Feedback

Beginning around 6PM, all bands will have a 20-minute time slot to perform on stage. This time includes set-up and exit time. Each band will receive recorded feedback from our professional artists. You will be escorted to the clinic room following your performance to receive an in-person review from a member of the Tony Deangelis Group. Bands are asked to remain in the auditorium to listen to and support the other bands until your warmup time.

Guest Artist Performance

At the conclusion of the band's performances our guest artists will perform a set for the entire audience.

Available Equipment

We will provide risers and an acoustic shell to enhance your on-stage sound. We have a new Steinway B for your use. Our solo mics are routed through the house system and will be monitored from the back at the soundboard. If you need additional equipment, please indicate in the appropriate form. Bands should provide their own rhythm section equipment. Our equipment will be used to supply both the warmup room and the clinic room.

Tickets

Tickets for the event will be available at the door. Prices are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for student/senior citizens. If you would like tickets in advance, please contact Craig Snyder.

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Registration Form

THIS FORM MAY ALSO BE FILLED OUT AT <http://penncrestband.org/jazz-night-registration>

Name of jazz band: _____

School Name: _____ School District: _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Director's Name: _____

Director's Phone School: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Number of people traveling with you: _____

Number of buses _____ Equipment truck: _____

_____ Please reserve a place for my jazz band for Penncrest Jazz Night

_____ My jazz band is unable to attend this year but please keep us on your mailing list
For future festivals.

Return to: Penncrest Jazz Night
c/o Craig Snyder
134 Barren Road
Media, PA 19063

Or Email: csnyder@rtmsd.org

Or Apply online: <http://penncrestband.org/jazz-night-registration>