



# OJR JAZZ ENSEMBLE

## AUDITION INFORMATION

The 2024/2025 OJR Jazz Ensemble currently has openings for the following positions:

### OPEN (FULL TIME) POSITIONS

Alto Sax, Trumpet, Trombone,  
Guitar, Bass, Drum Set

### APPRENTICE POSITIONS

Flute, Tenor Sax, Piano, Vibraphone

*Apprentices are accepted on a trial basis and will come to rehearsals this year to learn the music and will transition into their official positions next year, but might not always perform with the jazz band this year. Seniors are not eligible to audition for apprentice positions.*

- Auditions are by appointment with Mr. Mengel and should be done sometime before Thursday, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>. (Just come see me, or contact me at [tmengel@ojrsd.net](mailto:tmengel@ojrsd.net) to set up a date and time prior to Oct 31<sup>st</sup>.)

Attached is a copy of the audition music for your instrument. You are invited and encouraged to come to me for extra help on your parts before your audition. You can listen to all of the music by going to the band website: [www.ojrhsband.com](http://www.ojrhsband.com) Go to the "Jazz Band" page and then find the audition information which includes links to the mp3 recordings that you can listen to.

The OJR Jazz Band is our top-level music group, and if you are accepted into the jazz band, you must understand that a total commitment to attend all rehearsals is required. Unlike other music ensembles here at OJR, your part is covered only by YOU. A "three strikes and you're out" policy will be in effect for missed practices for any reason. Rehearsals will be on most Tuesdays and Thursdays after school from 3:00pm to 4:00pm. **If you can't make Tuesday / Thursday rehearsals, then unfortunately you can't be in the jazz band.** It is your responsibility to arrange for a ride home following rehearsals each week.

Please see me if you have any questions or if you would like help with your music.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL!!!!!!!!!!!!

- Mr. Mengel