



Garfield Jazz Newsletter

FEBRUARY 2022



February 7th Jazz Meeting

The next monthly Garfield Jazz Parent/Guardian Meeting will be Monday, February 7th at 7 pm. Please join the Garfield Jazz Foundation (GJF) and hear real-time updates from Mr. Sessink about upcoming performance opportunities and other jazz activities. This will be an online meeting.

Zoom Link

- <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86720111551>

Concert Attire Reminder

Jazz Band 1:

Male Identifying Performers - Banded collar black dress shirt (purchased thru Garfield Jazz Foundation) black dress slacks, black dress shoes w/long black socks. Black tuxedo/suit jacket is required, and students must find their own to purchase or ask for help finding one.

Female Identifying Performers - Black dress slacks or black skirt/dress, black dress shirt or blouse, black dress shoes. Black tights encouraged for skirts or dresses that do not fall at or below the knee for uniformity. Black tuxedo/suit jacket is optional.

Non-Binary Identifying Performers - May select either option above, a combination, and/or discuss other options with their teacher.

Jazz Bands 2 & 3:

Black dress slacks or black skirt/dress, black dress shirt/blouse, black dress shoes and long black socks (when applicable). Black tights encouraged for skirts or dresses that do not fall at or below knee. Students may wear a purple tie, bow tie, scarf, or other flare if it is tasteful and appropriate.

Important Dates!

****RESCHEDULED**** February 17th Concert Moved to March 15th

Due to recent SPS policy changes for spectators, the February 17th Jazz Concert at the Quincy Jones Performing Arts Center has been rescheduled to March 15th. Performers should wear concert attire for this event. As with the December concert, tickets will be available for limited audience seating. Look for additional details in the coming weeks.



****NEW** Student-Only Retreat - After School February 17th**

Plans are currently under development for an after school "retreat" to bring all three Garfield Jazz bands together for mentoring and musicianship on February 17th from 4 to 6:30 pm (times subject to change as event details are finalized).

****NEW** Starbucks 25th Annual Hot Java Cool Jazz - March 18th at the Paramount**
Garfield Jazz Band 1 has been invited by Starbucks to perform at Hot Java Cool Jazz, held at the Paramount on March 18th. Other participating bands include Roosevelt, Mt Si, Edmonds-Woodway, Mountlake Terrace. This is a terrific benefit concert with 100% of the proceeds for all tickets sold by GJF used to support the Garfield Jazz program. Tickets will be available for purchase via the [Garfield Jazz website](#) starting the week of February 7th. More details coming soon!

Media Release - Parent/Guardian Approval Needed

The Garfield Jazz Foundation needs parents to sign a Media Release form ([click here to access form](#)). As we create more amazing videos of our students performances, we would like to post them to our website and social channels, but need your consent.

Thank you!

2021-22 Registration Fee Reminder

We hoped to have Registration Fee payments complete by December 1, but there are still many outstanding payments. We are asking each family to contribute a \$100 registration fee for the 2021-22 school year to help offset the operating expenses and support that the GJF provides the Jazz program (sliding scale payment options are available). As described in the October 28th GJF email to families, this fee will not cover 50% of the GJF operating expenses, but there are too many uncertainties with regards to what the rest of the year will look like to warrant a higher registration fee at this time.

The Registration Fee payment form is available [here](#). Thank you in advance for your support and please reach out to [GJF Treasurers Doug and Tasha Irvine](#) with any questions.

