Garfield Combos – Frequently Asked Questions

1. **What is the fee?** Fees start at $400 for a quartet, and $100 for each additional musician, for a maximum of $700 for a septet.

2. **When/where can they perform?** Our musicians are high school students who perform outside school hours: evenings and weekends. They can perform for up to 2 hours. They perform in the Seattle area.

3. **How do I pay for the combo?** Please mail a check to: Treasurer, Garfield Jazz Foundation: 1142 Martin Luther King Jr Way #44, Seattle WA 98122

4. **Does the Jazz Foundation accept electronic payment?** Yes, we can accept payment via PayPal: treasurer@garfieldjazz.org.

5. **Does the Jazz Foundation accept credit cards?** No, we are not set up to accept credit cards.

6. **When is payment required?** Please mail your check to our treasurer at least a few weeks before the performance.

7. **Do I need to sign a contract?** A letter agreement summarizing the payment and performance time will be sent to you before the performance. You don’t need to sign it as we operate without formal contracts.

8. **Can I give a check to one of the performers?** No, the performers do not accept payments.

9. **How much space does the combo need?** Combos require a 10’x10’ space minimum.

10. **What do the musicians wear?** You can request either “black formal” or “khaki casual.”

11. **What are the combo’s power requirements?** Musicians will need access to a power outlet or extension cord with at least two outlets.

12. **What equipment should I provide?** Rhythm players require chairs. The musicians bring their own instruments and other equipment.

13. **What’s needed to perform outside?** A tent or covered area and a solid flat surface is needed to protect musicians and their instruments from sunlight, weather and ground moisture.

14. **Is any special lighting needed?** If the performance is in a dark venue, musicians will require lighting to read their music.

15. **Is amplification needed?** If the performance is in a large venue like a hotel ballroom, additional amplification (microphones and PA system) may be needed.

16. **Will the musicians accept tips?** Tips are not required but are appreciated since most of our musicians donate their time so that the Foundation can raise funds.

17. **Do I need to provide food for the musicians?** Also not required but appreciated, especially for dinner-time performances. Water is also appreciated.

18. **What if the event runs late?** If you need musicians to stay past the agreed performance time, please ask them if they are able to stay and then compensate them individually ($35 per hour per musician) for the additional time.