

# Andover Public Schools After School Music Ensembles 2016-2017

Your child has the opportunity to participate in a variety of after school instrumental ensembles during the 2016 - 2017 school year. These groups support the weekly lessons and rehearsals that happen during the school day, give students from across the district the opportunity to work together and provide a rich opportunity for students to further develop their playing skills.

If you are interested in enrolling your child in one of the 2016 - 2017 After School Music Ensembles, please contact the appropriate director listed below. In your email please provide your child's name, grade, school, instrument, parent email, and phone number. The director will confirm with you when the start date for your child's ensemble. Regarding the registration fee, the check is to be made out to "ANDOVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS") and given to the director on the first rehearsal. All ensembles are \$125 for the school year except for the Advanced Jazz Band Ensemble which meets twice a week at the cost of \$200 for the year.

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## **Primo Orchestra**

This orchestra includes students who have at least one year of experience on their instrument and are comfortable with basic note reading. The ensemble focuses on developing fundamental ensemble skills in a larger orchestral setting. Students in this orchestra must participate in their school's morning lesson program. It meets on Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30p in the West Middle School Auditorium.

## **Chamber Orchestra**

This orchestra includes students who have multiple years of experience on their instrument and show an advanced level of technique and ensemble skills (such as more advanced note reading abilities, advanced bow technique, shifting/positions, and vibrato). Acceptance is by audition, and students must also participate in their elementary or middle school orchestra program. It is strongly recommended that students in this ensemble take weekly private lessons. It meets on Tuesdays from 4:45-6:00p in the West Middle School Auditorium.

## **All-Town Elementary Band**

This band is available to anyone with at least one year of playing experience, or otherwise by recommendation of your AASMP instructor or their school day band director. All -Town Band members are expected to be members of their individual schools' bands. Location and schedule information will be available in the fall. It meets on Tuesdays after school from 4:30-5:30p at the Wood Hill Middle School, Band Room.

## **Jazz Ensemble**

The Jazz ensembles are available to interested students with playing experience or otherwise by recommendation of your AASMP instructor or their school day band director. The Beginning Jazz Band meets on Tuesdays at Wood Hill's band room from 3:15-3:15 and are designated for students in grades 6 & 7 (and advanced 5<sup>th</sup> graders). The Developing Jazz Band meets on Mondays at Andover High School's band room from 5:45-7:00 and are designated for students in grades 8, 9, 10. The Experienced Jazz Band meets twice a week on Mondays and Thursdays at Andover High School's band room from 7:00-8:30 and is designated for students in grades 11 & 12 (an advanced 10<sup>th</sup> graders).