**LAMBERTON JAZZ FESTIVAL 2016 - GENERAL INFORMATION**

It’s Jazz Festival time once again! We look forward to welcoming everyone to Lamberton and Red Rock Central for the 42nd Annual Lamberton Jazz Festival. Following you will find some general information that should help the day go smoothly. If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact us.

Our confirmed clinicians this year include Jason Price – Percussion; Dean Sorenson – Trombone. We are very excited to welcome back Southern Minnesota’s REAL Big Band as our featured band on the evening concert. We will secure a saxophone and trumpet clinician in the near future.

The Lamberton Jazz Festival will be held on a school day, meaning classes WILL be in session for Red Rock Central students. All venues will be housed in the RRC High School building in Lamberton. We are asking extra vigilance from directors in keeping an eye on your students. Any vandalism or theft associated with the Jazz Festival would be extremely unfortunate and will be dealt with to the fullest extent of the law.

ANY VIOLATION OF RRC SCHOOL RULES WILL RESULT IN IMMEDIATE EXPULSION FROM THE JAZZ FESTIVAL FOR THE ENTIRE GROUP, NOT JUST THE INDIVIDUAL.

All groups will use the gym to house equipment, coats, etc. There will be no separate warm-up rooms. Please remove your equipment from the gym as soon as possible after your performance.

Each band has **45 minutes** to set up, warm up, tune, perform, and take down. Punctuality is essential!

All participants should wear nametags with correct name and school information throughout the festival day. Blank tags will be furnished at registration.

All students are required to attend the clinic sessions, which will have staggered starts. We will inform you of the start times that day, or you can check the website (http://www.rrcnet.org/~jazz) for a current schedule.

No bands other than Southern Minnesota’s REAL Big Band will be playing on the concert.

If you need extra tickets for bus drivers, chaperones, etc. please let us know how many extra you need and we will put those in your packets. We will need an accurate ticket count so I can be sure to save back enough for the students and those accompanying them. The rest of the tickets will be offered to the public.

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**FOOD INFORMATION**

The RRC Music Parents will be providing concessions and food service for the Jazz Festival once again.

**Lunch** is a Whopper meal that includes a burger, chips, fruit, cookie and a beverage for $6.00. An extra burger will be available for $2.50

The **evening meal** will be pizza. A pizza meal will include 2 slices of pizza and a beverage for $5.00. Pizza varieties available will be pepperoni, sausage, and cheese.

Meals will be paid for at the beginning of the meal line. There is no need to collect money in advance.

Food is also available at S & A Foods (broasted chicken and groceries) and the Meadowland Coop Convenience Store (pizza). S & A Foods is located on Main Street and Meadowland Coop Convenience Store is located on Hwy 14 West.

A few guidelines to keep in mind:

Please enter the building and unload vehicles from the south side.

Please be sure to dispose of your trash properly.

No food or drink is allowed in any performance area or in the gym.

The RRC School District is a tobacco-free zone.

Please remember to bring scores for the clinicians. RRC will furnish one outlet strip, one extension cord, and a piano at each venue. You are responsible for any other auxiliary equipment that you require.

The directors’ lounge will be in the choir room this year.

We ask that students stay in the gym/lobby area when they are at the school and not performing or listening to other groups. We also ask that as much of your warming up and tuning be done in the performance room as possible.

We have had some problems in the past, especially during the supper hour, with students being in parts of the building that are off-limits. Please be sure your students know where they should be.

Thank you for your participation in the 2016 Lamberton Jazz Festival. We hope you have a great day, and HAVE FUN!

**If you have any questions, please contact:**

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The current schedule and other information can be found at: **http://www.rrcnet.org/~jazz.**