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Subject: SVSD Annual Report on Music Education

Thank you for taking the time to review our first annual report on Music Education K-12 in the SVSD. The newly formed SVSD Music Coalition has worked closely with all of the music teachers in our district to provide the data for this report. We see this as a way of providing some basic information to establish the current state of music education.

Do we need a music coalition when music education seems to be thriving in our district? Yes, since we can't take that support for granted. There will always be tough budget decisions and with the focus on state testing requirements, music education is perceived to be a non-core requirement, making it vulnerable to reductions of time allotted, dollars allocated, or other essential resources needed to maintain the programs' high quality.

The coalition is open to community members, teachers, administrators, parents, and anyone who is passionate about equal access to music education for all kids. The current goal is to publicize our existence and educate our members on our principles and mission and the district budget/decision process. We'll know that we've established ourselves as a credible, well-informed, student focused organization when decision makers come to us to determine the impacts of their decisions before making any changes affecting music education.

There will be an opportunity at a September board meeting for our coalition to answer any questions, address concerns or hear comments from you regarding the content of the report or our coalition.

Sincerely,

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Purpose	The purpose of an annual report is to keep administration and school board informed about the importance of the music programs.
SVSD Music Coalition	A citizen based advocacy group focused on promoting music education in the SVSD. Music teachers across the district serve as critical partners in creating a positive environment for maintaining and building music programs for students K-12
Mission	To ensure equal access to music education K-12
Principles	The coalition is built on the following principles: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our local coalition is student centered—focused on the impact of any decision on the student. • The focus is on music education as a unified district-wide effort – not focused on individual schools, specific programs or music directors. • The coalition is a community based organization committed to creating long-term positive relationships with the key decision makers affecting music education.
Focus of this report	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A summary of the number of students involved in curricular, extra-curricular and co curricular music education across our district in the 5 elementary schools, 3 middle schools and high school. 2. A summary of the performances and highlights of this year
Student involvement	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There is a healthy growth trend for instrumental music from elementary through HS. A 21% growth in 5th grade band from last year to this year, and 17% growth in the middle schools last year to this year. The notable change this year is moving 5th grade band from a required class to extra-curricular at NBE. 2. FCE has a 4th/5th grade extra-curricular choir program that is growing - a unique program at the elementary level 3. All students K-5 receive general music instruction
Performance calendar	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There are many performance opportunities at all levels, within the school, local community, region wide and at a national level. 2. MSHS jazz band ranked in the top twenty two years in a row at the national Ellington festival – the top 15 bands get to travel to NYC to compete. 3. TFMS produced its first musical – Oliver 4. MSHS Jazz I wins their division and Sweepstakes trophy; MSHS Jazz II wins 2nd in their division and TFMS Jazz I places first in the Middle School division at the Bellevue Jazz festival
Future goals	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The annual report will be presented at the end of each school year growing in scope 2. The coalition will continue to work with the music educators to develop short and long term plans for music education K-12.
Resources	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The coalition has a Facebook page “SVSD Music Coalition” which is being used to publicize events, educate, promote resources, and communicate actions needed 2. A highly recommended book is <u>Music Advocacy</u> by John Benham 3. MENC is the National Association for Music Education http://www.menc.org/

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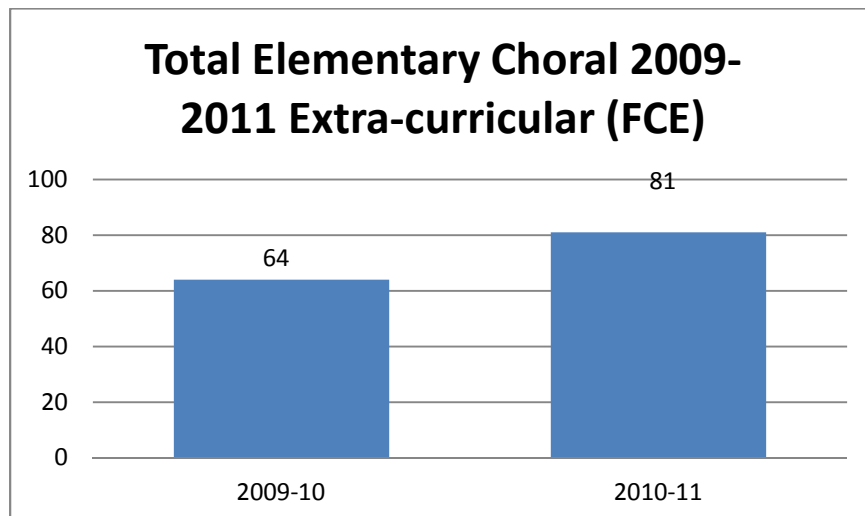
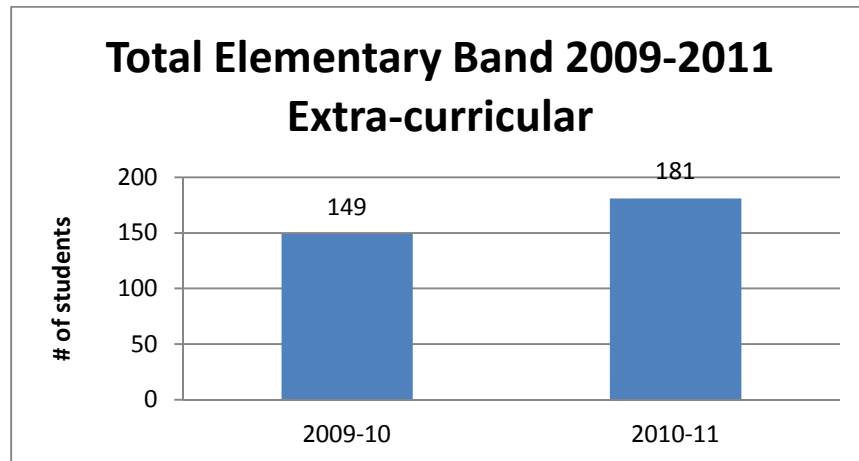
Elementary Schools

Music Directors: Rachel Rice (FCES)/Haley Franzwa (FCES band), April Herb (CVES), Kristi George (SES), Dan Thompson (NBE)/Lorraine Thurston (NBE band), Carol Heitt (OES)

Each of the five elementary schools has a full-time music instructor. Students K-5 receives general music instruction throughout the year. All five elementary schools produce a Kindergarten musical – a five musical rotation that allows the 5th graders to see the musical they performed as 6 year olds.

Band instruction is extra-curricular at all five elementary schools. The North Bend Elementary band program had been required and a part of the 5th grade curriculum but has moved outside of the school day this year. The growing elementary band programs are showing up in the growing middle school band programs.

Fall City Elementary has a combined 4th/5th grade extra-curricular choir that meets once a week.



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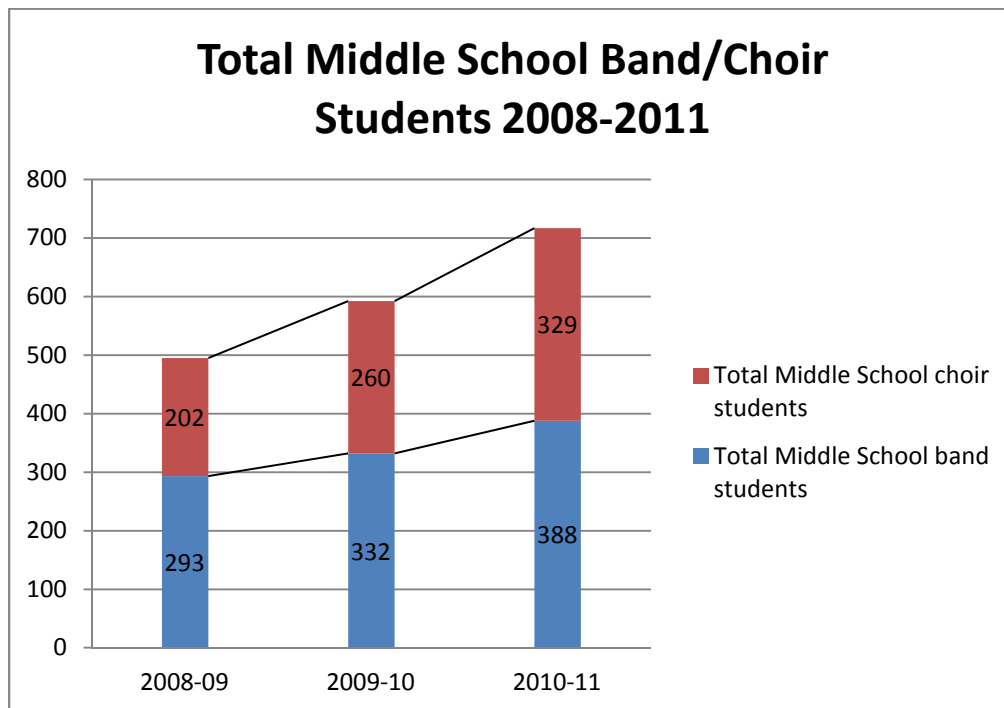
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Middle Schools

Music Directors: Haley Franzwa (CKMS), Dean Snavely (SMS), Matt Wenman (TFMS)

Each middle school has a full-time music director responsible for both the 6-8th grade choirs and 6-8th grade band programs and extra-curricular jazz bands. The CKMS director teaches two choir classes and two band classes--6th and 7/8th grade combined and the FCE 5th grade band. At SMS and TFMS, music directors teach three choir classes (6,7,8), three band classes (6,7,8) and extra-curricular jazz band(s).

Since TFMS opened 3 years ago the music personnel have remained stable. Choir growth was 29% in 2009-10 and 27% in 2010-11. Band growth was 13% in 2009-10 and 17% in 2010-11. The SMS music director will be on an approved leave to attend grad school and the CKMS director will also be leaving for grad school at the end of this year.

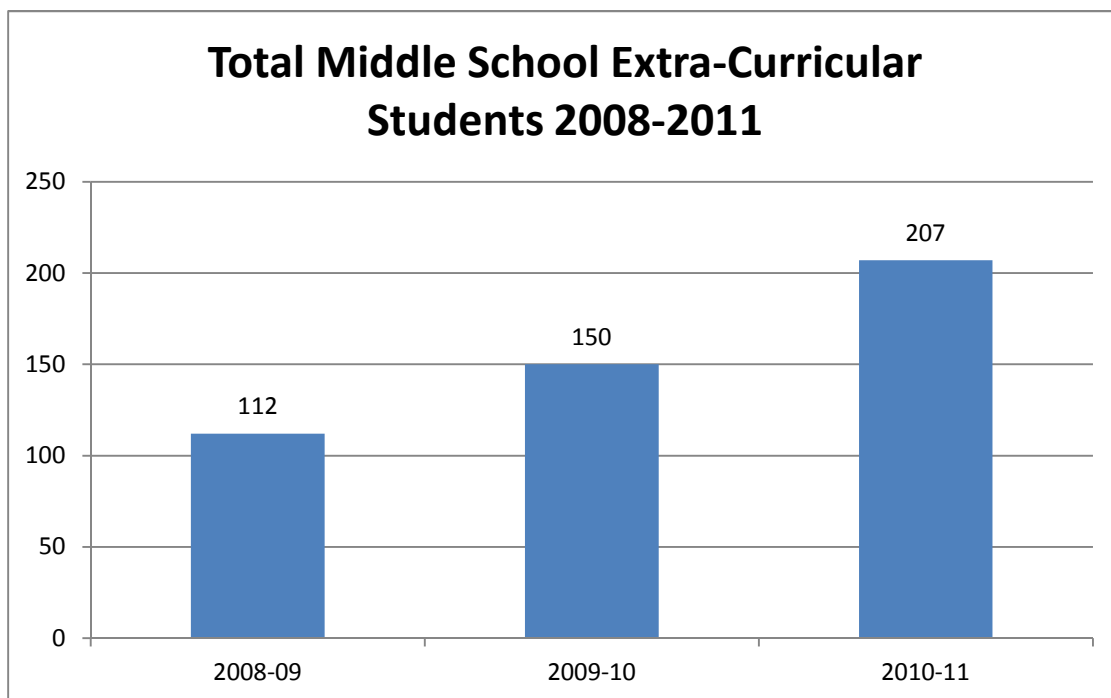


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Extra-curricular participation at the three middle schools has also shown healthy growth over the past three years. Jazz bands, audio/lighting tech classes and musicals are included in these numbers. This is the first year that TFMS produced a musical – Oliver, which accounts for the major increase in 2011.



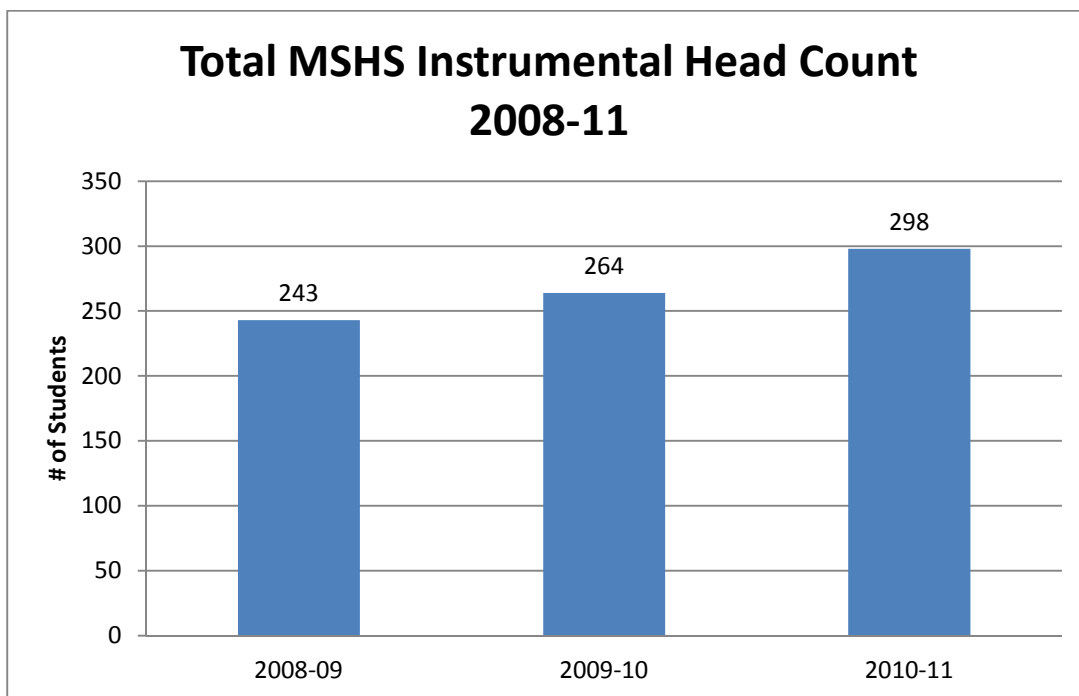
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Mt Si High School

Music Directors: Kim Snavely (choral/theater arts), Adam Rupert (instrumental)

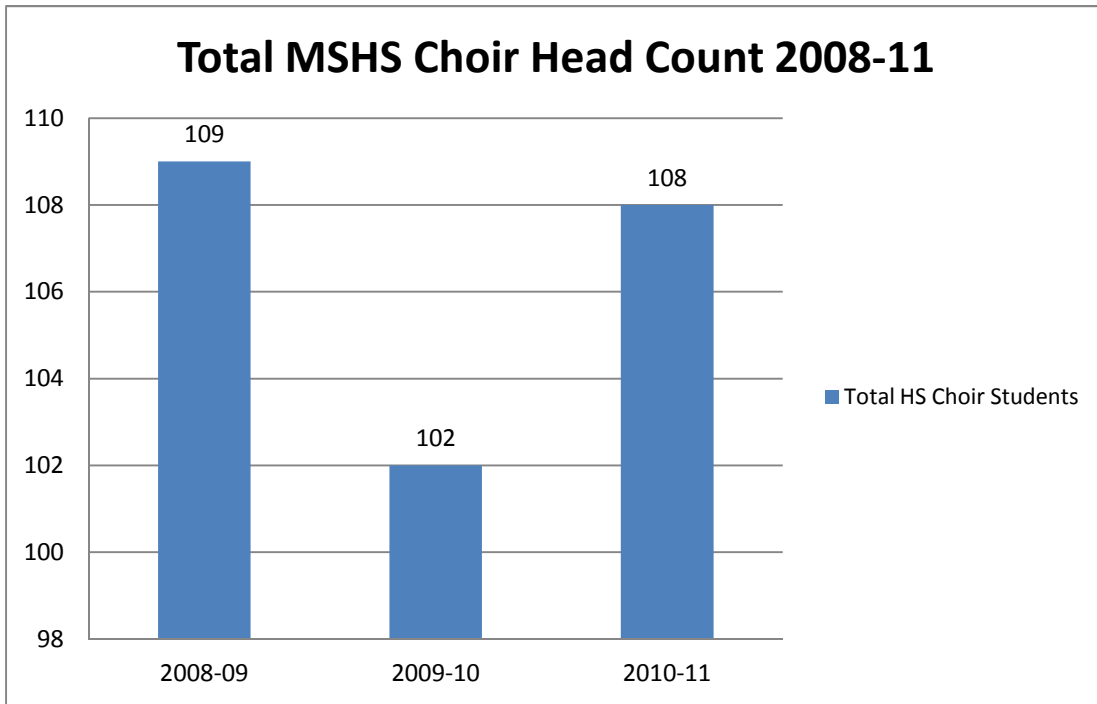
There is a full-time instrumental instructor and one full-time choral instructor at the high school level. The instrumental offerings include jazz bands, concert bands, world drumming class, and audio engineering class. The second jazz band is led by a part-time director whose pay is supplemented by the music boosters.



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The choirs include two auditioned select choirs, a non-auditioned concert ensemble and Jazz choir. The choir director will be attending grad school on an approved leave at the end of this school year. The head count has remained relatively stable over the past three years. The director has other non-music theater classes not included in this headcount.



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2010-2011 SVSD Performance and Event Schedule

MONTH	SCHOOL	EVENT	NOTES/COMMENTS
September	SMS	8th grade pep band night at MSHS	
October	TFMS	Pep Band Night - 8th grade band	
October	CKMS	Pep band night at MSHS - 8th grade band	
October	CKMS	CKMS football pep band	
October	MSHS-choir	Homecoming - all choirs	
November	TFMS	Music Cafe Night - Boxley's	
November	TFMS	Veteran's Day Assembly - 8th grade choir	
November	TFMS	Choir concert 6/7/8	
November	MSHS-Band	Eastshore Jazz Fest - Jazz I/II	
November	MSHS-Band	Northshore Jazz Fest - Jazz I	
November	SMS	Real Men Do Sing Fest	
November	CKMS	Veteran's Day Assembly 7/8 band 7/8 choir	
November	MSHS-choir	Musical: Guys and Dolls	
November	MSHS-choir	League Vocal Jazz Festival	
November	MSHS-choir	CWU choral Festival	
November	SES	4th grade Veteran's Day Concert	
December	TFMS	MSHS Band concert & Pizza	
December	TFMS	MSHS Choir concert & Pizza	
December	TFMS	Band concert 6/7/8	
December	TFMS	Seattle Center Winterfest - 7th grade band	
December	TFMS	Leavenworth Tree Lighting Festival - 8th grade choir	
December	MSHS-Band	Band concert	
December	SMS	Leavenworth Tree Lighting	
December	SMS	All Ensembles Holiday Extravaganza	
December	NBE	Winter concert	
December	NBE	5th grade band concert	
December	NBE	Winter concert - in school	
December	CKMS	Choir concert 6/7/8	
December	CKMS	Winterfest - 8 grade bands	
December	CKMS	Leavenworth festival - 6/7/8 grade choirs	
December	CKMS	Band Concert 6/7/8 Jazz I/II	
December	CKMS	Fall City Tree Lighting - 6th grade choir	

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December	CVES	Band concert	
December	CVES	3rd grade concert	
December	MSSH-choir	Choir concert	
December	MSSH-choir	Caroling in Snoqualmie - tree lighting	
December	MSSH-choir	LDS Nativity	
December	MSSH-choir	Red Oak Caroling	
December	SES	3rd Grade concert and 5th Grade band	
December	FCE	Fall City Tree Lighting, 4th/5th Grade Chorus Performance	
December	FCE	4th Grade concert	
December-Feb	MSSH-Band	Pep Band - boys and girls basketball	
January	MSSH-Band	CWU Jazz Fest - Jazz I/II	Adjudication only
January	MSSH-Band	Solo-Ensemble Festival (40 kids)	1 state finalist, 2 state alternates
January	OES	3rd Grade concert	
January	MSSH-choir	MLK Assembly	
January	MSSH-choir	Eastshore Regional Solo-Ensemble	
January	FCE	3rd Grade Concert	
February	TFMS	Viking Jazz Festival - Jazz I	1st place – Jazz I
February	MSSH-Band	Viking Jazz Fest - Jazz I/II	1st place – Jazz I
February	OES	4th Grade concert	
February	SMS	Choirs at Seattle Thunderbirds	
February	SMS	Eastshore League Jazz Band Festival	
February	CKMS	Eastshore League Jazz Band Festival	
February	TFMS	Eastshore League Jazz Band Festival	
February	CKMS	Boxley's fund raiser	
February	CVES	1st Grade concert	
February	MSSH-choir	Real Men Do Sing Fest WWU	
February	SES	3rd Grade concert	
February	FCE	5th Grade concert	
March	TFMS	Solo & Ensemble	72 kids from TFMS
March	TFMS	Rock Band-a-thon	
March	TFMS	SVSD Elementary School Tour-OES NBE (8th grade band/choir/Jazz I	
March	TFMS	Band concert at NBE - 7th grade band	
March	TFMS	Choir concert 6/7/8	
March	TFMS	Choir concert for TFMS 6/7/8	

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March	MSSH-Band	Band concert	
March	MSSH-Band	CWU Wind Ensemble	Adjudication only
March	MSSH-Band	Cedarcrest HS - Wind Ensemble	Superiors
March	MSSH-Band	Newport Jazz fest - Jazz I/II	2nd place
March	MSSH-Band	Skyline HS - Symphonic Band	Superior/Excellent
March	MSSH-Band	Spokane Jazz Fest - Jazz I/II	2nd place
March	OES	2nd Grade concert	
March	SMS	Solo-Ensemble Festival	Hosted by SMS/61 kids from SMS
March	SMS	University of Victoria Band Festival 8th grade band, Victoria CA	
March	NBE	5th grade band concert with TFMS	
March	CKMS	Solo-Ensemble Festival	
March	CKMS	Choir concert 6/7/8	
March	CKMS	Frontier Jazz Festival - Jazz Band	
March	CKMS	SVSF select performances	
March	CVES	Kindergarten Musical	
March	CVES	Band concert	
March	MSSH-choir	Choir concert	
March	MSSH-choir	Disney World: Disney Honors	
March	SES	2nd Grade Concert	
March	FCE	4th/5th Grade chorus trip to CWU Music Department, Ellensburg	
March	FCE	Spring Choir concert @ CKMS (CKMS Choirs w/ FCE 4th/5th Grade Chorus)	
March	FCE	2nd Grade concert	
April	TFMS	Band Concert 6/7/8	
April	TFMS	Band Concert for TFMS 6/7/8	
April	TFMS	League Band Festival 7/8th grade	Hosted by TFMS
April	CKMS	League Band Festival	
April	SMS	League Band Festival - 8th grade	
April	TFMS	League Choir Festival - 8th grade	
April	SMS	League Choir Festival - 8th grade	
April	CKMS	League Choir Festival	
April	TFMS	OSU Concert Band Festival 8th grade band	
April	CKMS	OSU Concert Band Festival 8th grade band	
April	MSSH-Band	Jazz band concert with SMS	
April	OES	1st Grade concert	

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April	SMS	Choir concert 6/7/8	
April	SMS	Band concert 6/7/8	
April	NBE	Kindergarten musical	
April	CKMS	Band Concert 6/7/8 Jazz I/II	
April	CVES	2nd Grade concert	
April	CVES	4th Grade musical	
April	MSHS-choir	Solo-Ensemble Festival	
April	MSHS-choir	Choir Festival	
April	MSHS-choir	CBC Jazz unlimited	
April	MSHS-choir	WMEA/WIAA State Solo-Ensemble	
April	SES	Kindergarten musical	
April	SES	5 th Grade band concert	
April	FCE	1st Grade concert	
May	TFMS	TFMS Jazz Band Live @ Boxley's Jazz I/II	
May	MSHS-Band	New York Ellington Festival	Top 20 in US for 2nd year in a row
May	MSHS-Band	Jazz at the club - Jazz I/II	Raised \$13,000 Jazz I – Division and Sweepstakes trophy
May	MSHS-Band	Bellevue HS Jazz Festival - Jazz I/II	winner/Jazz II - 2nd place in division
May	TFMS	Bellevue HS Jazz Festival - Jazz I/II	Jazz I – 1 st place
May	OES	Kindergarten concert	
May	SMS	Mt. Hood Festival - Jazz I and Jazz Combos, Gresham OR	
May	SMS	Best of the NW Choral Festival, Portland OR	
May	CKMS	Best of the NW choir Festival - 8th grade	Sportsman award
May	NBE	Spring Concert	
May	NBE	5th grade band concert	
May	CVES	5th Grade musical	
May	MSHS-choir	Jazz at the club	
May	SES	5th Grade musical	
May	FCE	Kindergarten concert	
May	TFMS	Musical: Oliver - 3 nights	1st musical at TFMS
May	CKMS	Musical: Aladdin - 2 nights/matinee	
June	TFMS	Concert for incoming 5th graders - 6th grade band	

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June	MHSB-Band	Graduation - Wind and Symphonic Band
June	OES	5th grade band concert
June	SMS	Pops concert
June	NBE	5th Grade band concert
June	CKMS	All Bands and Choirs
June	CVES	Variety show
June	CVES	5th Grade band concert
June	MHSB-choir	Choir concert
June	SES	Variety show
June	SES	5th grade band concert
June	SMS	Jazz I at Tula's Jazz Club
June	TFMS	Music Showcase: All bands, choirs/jazz bands