



COLLIER COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS PRESENTS

CCPS Honors

CONCERT SERIES

2025-2026
Middle & High School
Honors Bands

Saturday, January 24, 2026
3:00PM
Aubrey Rogers High School

PROGRAM

Welcome Remarks _____ **Dr. Skip Pardee**
District Coordinator, Fine Arts (K-12)
Collier County Public Schools

Introduction of Middle School Honors Band Clinician _____ **Jacob Howard**
Band Director, North Naples Middle School

Middle School Honors Band _____ **John Nista, Conductor**

Selections will be chosen from the following:

Anthem of an Era _____ Tyler Grant
And Sail Away _____ Jack Wilds
Danza Zanzare _____ JaRod Hall
Two British Folk Songs _____ Elliot Del Borgo
Heartland March _____ Randall Standridge

Introduction of High School Honors Band Clinician _____ **Jason Jones**
Band Director, Aubrey Rogers High School

High School Honors Band _____ **Dr. Erin Bodnar, Conductor**

Selections will be chosen from the following:

Big City Lights _____ Marie Douglas
Planet B _____ Cathy Likhuta
Tundra _____ Nubia Donjuan
Chande _____ Victoriano Valencia

ABOUT OUR CONDUCTORS

MIDDLE SCHOOL HONORS BAND — JOHN NISTA



Mr. John Nista retired from Broward County Schools in June of 2024, completing 43 years of teaching. He has taught at both the middle school and high school level. During his teaching career, he has held band director positions at Sunrise Middle School (1981-83), Fort Lauderdale High School (1983-92), Coconut Creek High School (1992-96) and Ramblewood Middle School in Coral Springs, FL (1996-24). John continues to assist and volunteer at various public and private schools in Broward County, as well as being an adjudicator for FBA.

Mr. Nista holds degrees from Youngstown State and Nova University. He was selected by his peers as the Broward County Middle School Band Director of the Year in 1998. He was featured in the December 2000 issue of *School Band and Orchestra* as one of the "Fifty Directors Who Make a Difference." He received the Oliver Hobbs Award in January of 2009 from the Florida Bandmasters Association for his commitment to music education. He has been selected three times as "Teacher of the Year", once at Sunrise Middle School, and twice at Ramblewood Middle School. He was awarded Broward County's Arts Teacher of the Year in the 2013-14 school year. He has conducted various honor bands throughout Florida, including the 2003 All-State Middle School Honors Band and the 2010 All-State Middle School Band. Additionally, he served the Florida Bandmasters Association as District Secretary and District Chairman. He is a member Florida Music Education Association, Broward County Band Director's Association, Phi Beta Mu and is a life member of the Florida Bandmasters Association. John is extremely honored and proud to have been inducted into the Florida Bandmaster's Hall of Fame in 2024. John is married to his wife, Christina, and they have two children, Lauren and James.

HIGH SCHOOL HONORS BAND — DR. ERIN BODNAR

Dr. Erin Bodnar currently serves as Associate Professor of Music and Director of Bands at the University of North Florida where she conducts the Wind Symphony and Concert Band, instructs courses in conducting and coordinates the UNF Conducting Symposium. Under Dr. Bodnar's baton, the UNF Wind Symphony performed at the World Association of Symphonic Bands and Ensembles in Buñol, Spain in July 2019. The UNF NuMIX, co-directed by Dr. Bodnar and Dr. Venet, performed at the College Band Directors National Association Southern Division Conference in February 2022. Prior to her appointment at UNF, Dr. Bodnar was Director of Bands at Graceland University for four years during which time the Symphonic Band performed at the Iowa Bandmasters Association Conference. During 2013-2014, Dr. Bodnar was the conductor of the Wind Symphony and Orchestra at Mahidol University in Bangkok, Thailand. Dr. Bodnar maintains an active schedule as a guest conductor and clinician, traveling to Argentina, Thailand, Indonesia, and throughout the United States and Canada. Dr. Bodnar has contributed to *A Composer's Insight: Thoughts, Analysis and Commentary on Contemporary Masterpieces for Wind Band*, Volume 5, the *GIA Teaching Music Through Performance Series* for Volume 7 and the revised Volume 1. She excelled at teaching both middle and high school band in Alberta, Canada for which she received the Keith Mann Young Band Director's Award and the Edwin Parr First Year Teacher Award. Dr. Bodnar has presented at conferences in Canada, the United States, Scotland, Thailand and Austria. Her research interests include conducting pedagogy and motor cognition, and her articles have been published in the *Journal of Music Teacher Education* and *Music Perception*. An avid runner and group fitness instructor, Dr. Bodnar has completed 54 marathons, including 6 Boston marathons, ten 50 km races and one 100 km race.



MIDDLE SCHOOL HONORS BAND

John Nista, *Conductor*

FLUTE

Georgia Pittman, OMS
Lucy Brostek, OMS
Abhy Alexandre, CPM
Emilia Carbonell, CPM
Camila Albeja, CPM
Chelsea Mitchell, CMS
Ayleen Garcia, ENM
Ezequiel Morello, OMS
Kailanii Smiley, IMS

OBOE

Forlan Martinez de la Fuente, CMS

BASSOON

Isabella Vallejo Londono, CMS

CLARINET

Mia Berguido, PRM
Grecia Jimenez Perez, NNM
Zoe Oomah, NNM
Juliet Perez, GGM
Favianna Almeda Figueroa, CMS
Yairot Lopez Diaz, GGM
Melody Westbrook, OMS
Ava Carranza, GVM
Juliet Scappaticcio, OMS
Addison Cruz, GVM
Macayla Joubert, GGM
Elise Lairer, OMS
Katie Macartney, CMS
Ella Ramos Machado, CMS
Yasmin Erice OMS
Valeria Gonzalez Garcia, MMS

BASS CLARINET

Zahid Benitez, MMS
Evelyn Ruha, NNM

ALTO SAXOPHONE

Santiago Grana, OMS
Luke Alvarez, PRM
Sophia Perez, GGM
Dorly Dorminie, GGM
Sam Podolak, GVM

TENOR SAXOPHONE

Garens Joseph, GVM
Jessica Estrada Roblero, GGM

TRUMPET

Kelly Nicolas Jose, GGM
Jhaneal Fraser, CMS
Lamario Levy, MMS
Jonah Morris, CPM
Lilliana Valderrama, CMS
Owen Coots, NNM
Kimberly Gonzalez Cuevas, GGM
Zachary Starr, OMS
David Hatwell, GVM
Brendy Diaz Lopez, GGM

FRENCH HORN

Ronnell Rodriguez, MMS
Bradley Fabian, PRM
Zoe Marks, NNM
Remy Escala, PRM
Sophia Pellerito, NNM
Quinn Kurtz, NNM

TROMBONE

Cesar Ramirez Rodriguez, GGM
Cooper Feipel, CMS
Adam Arguelles, OMS
Milken Cadet, MMS
Ryder Morgan, CMS
Jake Gilbert, ENM
Dante Titus, NNM
Kai Diaz, CMS

EUPHONIUM

Brentley Bisogno Moore, OMS
Raiden Wilson, CMS
Cohen Powell, OMS
Matthew Galindo, CMS
Ted Dorival, OMS
Kyara Carrillo, GGM

TUBA

Liza Chernyavskaya, OMS
Landon Clark, OMS
Walsen Pierre-Louis, GGM
Jelvin Alvarez, GGM
Julio Ramirez Rodriguez, GGM
Dariuz Couret, CPM
Jack Castle, ENM
Emily Ruiz, CMS

PERCUSSION

Attila Ginsberg, GVM
Colton Moon, GVM
Zailey Bohley, NNM
Eric Laderer, NNM
Lincoln Leslie, PRM
William Mirabales, CMS
Theo Dorival, OMS
Alan Amantay, OMS

HIGH SCHOOL HONORS BAND

Dr. Erin Bodnar, *Conductor*

FLUTE

Maximus Bogert, PRHS
Zaidan Projonoto, ARHS
Gabiella Chaviano, PRHS
Sebastian Rodriguez, PRHS
Sara Hudson, GCHS
Grace Rosbottom, ARHS
Jenna Young, GCHS
Liliana Avellaneda-Galvan, IHS

OBOE

Randy Piloto, NHS
An Tran, PRHS

BASSOON

Kevin Aro-Kaufman, GCHS
Angelica Serra, PRHS

Bb CLARINET

Aidan Allgor, NHS
Trevor Ball, GCHS
Lance Julian, BCHS
James Nehrkorn, ARHS
Erin Hanna, GCHS
Isla Dumas, NHS
Veronica Ybaceta, GGHS
Whitney Swartz, ARHS
Eva Yonaley, ARHS
Jahnvi Gurajapu, GCHS
Joshua Lairet, GCHS
Jaydee Alfonso, GCHS
Vitaliah Gavaldon, BCHS

BASS CLARINET

Sophia Aparicio-Campos LHS
Levi Goor, ARHS

ALTO SXOPHONE

Dominic Novero, ARHS
Alfredo Perez-Lopez, NHS
Emily Serrato, GGHS
Joseph Crato, PRHS

TENOR SAXOPHONE

Claudette Koka, ARHS
Coleman Williamson, ARHS

BARITONE SAXOPHONE

Johnny Stephen, GGHS

TRUMPET

Eliseo Hernandez, LHS
Dylan Turner, GCHS
Romel Rodriguez, LHS
Charles Suchomel, ARHS
Kieran Marks, ARHS
Zachary Goetz, ARHS
Khloe Kamen, GCHS
Marilyn Consuegra-Urbina, GCHS
Marcos Acosta, GGHS
Hayden Deardorff, GCHS

FRENCH HORN

Jocelyn Chalick, ARHS
Emma Podolak, NHS
Maximiliano James Izquierdo, ARHS
Brianna Boose, PRHS
Kaylyn Garcia, PRHS
Brock McGregor, ARHS

TROMBONE

Fintan O'Keefe, BCHS
Hunter Scott, PRHS
Cameron Calabrese, PRHS
Matthew Le, ARHS
Amber Kastner, GCHS

BASS TROMBONE

Joseph Sanabria, GGHS

EUPHONIUM

Jason Vasquez, GCHS
Jackson Liguori, GCHS
David Perez-Roblero, GGHS
Jayden Gonzalez, NHS

TUBA

Sasha Chegwidden, ARHS
Alfredo Santiago, LHS
Mateo Garcia-Rivas, GGHS
Jayden Gomez, GCHS
Eliceo Diaz Roblero, GGHS

PERCUSSION

Elliott Stilwell, PRHS
Ava Jones, PRHS
Sofia Sandoval, PRHS
Christian Alvarez, PRHS
Piera Giraldo, GCHS
Landon Leslie, BCHS
Junielda Joseph, GGHS

COLLIER COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOLS

CORKSCREW MIDDLE SCHOOL

Ashley Crosby, Band Director
Shelby Blocker, Band Director
Rania Pierre-Peacock, Principal

CYPRESS PALM MIDDLE SCHOOL

Paxon Roan, Band Director
Dr. Deborah Cox, Principal

EAST NAPLES MIDDLE SCHOOL

Jennifer De Leon, Band Director
Mary Ann Gallegos, Principal

GOLDEN GATE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Sarah Kocses, Band Director
Dr. Jennifer Knutowski, Principal

GULFVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL

Julie Evans, Band Director
Ryan Nemeth, Principal

IMMOKALEE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Anthony Claro, Band Director
Jose Hernandez, Principal

MANATEE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Steven Detjen, Band Director
Jay Fike, Principal

NORTH NAPLES MIDDLE SCHOOL

Jacob Howard, Band Director
Missy Kuk, Principal

OAKRIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL

John Rosbottom, Band Director
Ronna Smith, Principal

PINE RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Marilyn Tackill, Band Director
Michelle Gordon, Principal

AUBREY ROGERS HIGH SCHOOL

Jason Jones, Band Director
Jessie Garcia, Principal

BARRON COLLIER HIGH SCHOOL

Kevin Lopez, Band Director
Dr. Sean Kinsley, Principal

GULF COAST HIGH SCHOOL

Brett Robinson, Band Director
Tim Kutz, Principal

GOLDEN GATE HIGH SCHOOL

Morgan Miller, Band Director
Geronimo Mulholland, Principal

IMMOKALEE HIGH SCHOOL

Brandon Milhoan, Band Director
Dan Boddison, Principal

LELY HIGH SCHOOL

Joseph Riedl, Band Director
Mason Barron, Band Director
Jennifer Bledsoe, Principal

NAPLES HIGH SCHOOL

Vincent Laz, Band Director
Kristina Lee, Principal

PALMETTO RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

Annabelle Robinson, Band Director
Dr. Tobin Walcott, Principal

