

## AHS Jazz Combos - Spring 2019

**About the director:** Agoura High Music Booster's Jazz Combo program is led by Los Angeles bassist and educator, Dave Robaire who's performance credits span from Herbie Hancock and Wayne Shorter, to Wynton Marsalis and Jane Monheit. Dave has degrees from the New School for Jazz and Contemporary Music, CalArts, and UCLA (via the Thelonious Monk Institute of Jazz). Performing, recording, and teaching music has brought Dave across the world including Sweden, Turkey, Canada, Israel, Mexico, Japan, and all over Europe. Dave is currently on faculty at Cal State Northridge (CSUN) and Pasadena City College (PCC).

**About the class:** The Jazz Combo program focuses on helping students with improvisation across the various styles of jazz through ear training, jazz theory, and repertoire, while strengthening interaction in a small group setting. While the repertoire consist of a variety of jazz standards, arrangements and original compositions are always welcome. The program aims to help prepare students for the level of playing they will encounter at the collegiate level. The groups, made up of 5-8 students each, are organized based on the student's experience and skill level, with the help of Mr. Bloom and Mr. Hackett. Please keep in mind that enrollment is open to ALL students on ALL instruments, and from ALL levels.

**Schedule:** Combos will meet in the AHS Band Room after school on Mondays, starting February 11, 2019. There will most likely be two combo classes, one from 3:15-4:30pm and the other from 4:30-5:45pm. I occasionally have work-related travel conflicts, and will have to miss a few Mondays through the semester. I will send a detailed schedule at the beginning of the semester that will include 10 classes and a performance at the end of the semester (date TBA).

**Cost:** The total cost for the Spring 2019 semester is \$400 which can be paid by cash or check made payable to **AHS Music Boosters** on the first day of rehearsal. (Payments can also be processed by card via PayPal).

**To sign up:** Please send an e-mail with all the information below to [david.robair@gmail.com](mailto:david.robair@gmail.com) no later than **Friday February 8, 2019**.

1. Parent name, phone number, and e-mail address.
2. Student name, phone number and e-mail address.
3. Current level of jazz band
4. Availability (number in order of preference)

\_\_\_\_\_ Monday 3:15-4:30pm      \_\_\_\_\_ Monday 4:30-5:45pm      \_\_\_\_\_ Monday 5:45-7:00pm

Looking forward to another great semester!



Dave Robaire