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We saved our jazz choir. Now we need help saving our jazz band.

Meadowdale High School's Jazz Band was cut for "low enrollment," but the forecasting from the counselors at that time was not correct. Jazz Band now has 34 students enrolled. Many students intended to register for the jazz classes, but somehow were not placed in these classes. Additionally, our counselors made us aware of a problem with their forecasting form, which left jazz band off as an option on the registration form at Meadowdale Middle School. This class should not be cut because of registration errors.

Taking into account this year and last year's budget cuts, the band teacher position has been reduced at MHS from 4 classes to 2 classes, yet the enrollment has maintained over 100 students yearly in the band program, including next year's projected enrollment.

If the band program remains at only two classes, it would be impossible to maintain pep band at football and basketball games, performances at assemblies and school events, festivals and field trips and collaborative opportunities with our middle school and elementary school feeder programs.

if you feel so moved, please email the following people asking them to restore funding and FTE to save our jazz band (and our band program by extension).

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Thank you for your continued support!