

# SPUSD Snapshot



*SPHS Jazz Band, Symphonic Band and Orchestra students take a break during recent competition at the Heritage Festival in Seattle, Washington. (Photo Courtesy of SPHS Music Boosters)*

## **SPHS Band and Orchestra Students Excel at Seattle Heritage Festival**

Congratulations to the SPHS Jazz Band, Symphonic Band, Orchestra and Director Howard Crawford on their recent competition results at the Heritage Festival in Seattle, Washington. Each group scored the highest possible for all three ensembles:

- Jazz Band - 1st place, Gold
- Symphonic Band - 1st place, Gold
- Orchestra - 1st place, Gold

Orchestra and Symphonic Band were the only ensembles at the entire festival to receive the Adjudicator Trophies. Plus, SPHS brought home:

- Instrumental Sweepstakes Trophy – the highest average score of two instrumental groups from one school
- Outstanding Band Trophy
- Outstanding Orchestra Trophy

Out of 1,000 students who participated at the Seattle Heritage Festival, five were given the Ovation Award for solos. Three of the five winners were from SPHS:

Kelsey Lih – Orchestra  
Euan Zhang - Jazz Band  
Niko Tripodis - Jazz Band

Go Tigers!

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