CONCERTO COMPETITION

January 20, 2015

Dear Director:

The Seattle Wind Symphony is excited to announce its first annual high school concerto competition. The competition is open to any high school student in grades 9 – 12 who plays a woodwind, brass, or percussion instrument. The winner will receive a prize of $500, generously donated by the Yamaha Corporation, and perform as a featured soloist with the Seattle Wind Symphony at their May 9th, 2015 concert.

Please find the attached application form and flyer (you can also visit http://www.seattlewindsymphony.org/ to print out copies). Do note that applications must be postmarked by March 2nd, 2015. Feel free to share this information with your students and colleagues!

Eligibility:

- Student must be a member of their local school music program
- Student must be in grade 9, 10, 11, or 12
- Solo must be performed on a woodwind, brass, or percussion instrument

Requirements:

- Completely fill out the application form, and include an unedited CD or flash drive with a recording of the solo you intend to perform with the Seattle Wind Symphony.
- The solo work may not exceed 15 minutes in length
- The solo work must have a published band arrangement, and be available to borrow, rent, or purchase
- The solo work to be performed at the concert must be approved ahead of time by the Seattle Wind Symphony.
- Provide a letter of recommendation from your high school band director
- The student must be available for rehearsal(s) which would fall on one or more Wednesday evenings between April 8th and May 6th, and the performance on May 9th. Specific rehearsal dates TBD after hearing auditions.

Application:
Send your completed application, letter of recommendation, and an unedited recording on CD or flash drive postmarked no later than March 2nd, 2015 to:

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Questions? Please contact Mariko Lane at mlane@lwsd.org.

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