

Middleton High School Band and Orchestra Parent Association (MHS BOPA)

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MHS 7 O'Clock Jazz Band Soloists and Director Doug Brown receive Merit Awards for Distinguished Performances

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Essentially Ellington recognized soloists Jonathan Downs (saxophone), Jack Ohly (trombone), Andrew Stine (saxophone), and Althea Wincek (piano), for their dedication and musical achievement as outstanding soloists in Jazz at Lincoln Center's *Essentially Ellington* High School Jazz Band program for distinguished performances on their recording for the 24th Annual Competition and Festival. Director Doug Brown also received a merit award for his outstanding directing.

The 7 O'Clock Jazz Band is a finalist in this year's *Essentially Ellington* High School Jazz Competition and looks forward to competing with high school jazz bands from across the country in the festival in New York City this May. For more information visit <https://academy.jazz.org/ee/about/> or www.middletonbandorchestra.org

