

# **SENIOR SPOTLIGHT INFORMATION**

It's that time of year again. Our Annual Senior Spotlights are approaching. Some years ago, we began the tradition of awarding our seniors a chance to share with us their experiences with the Havelock Band Program and what it has meant to them. **You will have NO more than 90 seconds** to tell the audience and your fellow band members: 41 seniors x 90 sec. = 60 minutes

## **Things to discuss in your 90 seconds:**

- *What band has meant to you*
- *What lessons you have learned from band*
- *Something you will miss*
- *Possibly a happy, sad, or even an embarrassing moment*
- *To thank any people who have made band special*
- *A message of encouragement to the returning band members about commitment, pride, and tradition.*

The messages do not have to include all of the above. **Please use good taste** when deciding what to say. We do not want them all to sound the same, so please try to capture your personality. They do not all have to be sad either. Also, **I must insist** that ***everyone*** write out what they are going to say, and that they do not go over the 90 second time limit. You will **not** be allowed to talk off the top of your head. This is a very formal occasion for the band, and I want you to be recognized in a proud way. I want this to be a special night for each of you.

During the ceremony as your segment plays, you will sit on a stool in the spotlight on stage. When your segment ends, you will walk over to Mr. Benitez and receive your plaque. This is how we will recognize all of you for the wonderful work you have done for the band.

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## **THIS YEAR WE ARE GOING ALL DIGITAL WITH RECORDINGS AND PHOTOS**

With the continued advancement in technology, we have decided to allow you to use your own devices to record yourself. You can use a laptop, tablet, or cell phone. All of these devices should have a voice recorder on them, if not, the program can be downloaded. Please see Mr. Elrod if you need assistance with downloading or using recording software on your laptop, tablet, or cell phone.

If you do not have access to a recording device, you may request to use a school owned device after school. See Mr. Elrod to schedule a time that you are available.

**You must email recordings in MP4 format to [corey.elrod@cravenk12.org](mailto:corey.elrod@cravenk12.org)**

We would also like to use pictures of you on the screen while the audience is listening to your spotlight. **Do not turn in pictures in a word document. Do not turn in physical copies of pictures.** Baby pictures to current young adult status would be fine.

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If you are recording a senior spotlight you **MUST** fill out the senior spotlight information form.

If you are NOT recording a senior spotlight you do not need to fill out this form.

## Senior Spotlight Information Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### 1. Check the years that you were involved in the following organizations:

Name of Organization	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015	2015/2016
Jazz Ensemble				
Concert Band				
Marching Band/Colorguard				
Symphonic Band				
Wind Ensemble				
Winterguard				

### 2. List all instruments that you have played throughout high school:

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### 3. List any special BAND related programs you've been involved in (i.e. 2015 Eastern All-District Band, East Region Jazz, Drum Major, etc.)

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### 4. Write a quote that you would like to leave future generations of band students:

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### Pictures (at least 10)

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### Recording

- After you make your own recording at home, please send it in MP4 format to corey.elrod@cravenk12.org.
  - Please make it no longer than 90 seconds.
  - If you do make your own recording, we reserve the right not to use it if not up to standards.
- If you do not have access to a recording device, you may request to use a school owned device after school. See Mr. Elrod to schedule a time that you are available.

**TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SENIOR SPOTLIGHT, THIS FORM, ALONG WITH YOUR PICTURES AND RECORDINGS MUST BE TURNED IN BY May 2<sup>nd</sup>.**