Elementary Music is FUNdamental!

9:00 am - 10:15 am  
Musical Brain Games: Fun and Focus

Wake up for the day with these fast-paced games that will focus your thinking and challenge your brain!

10:30 am - Noon  
Melody to Harmony: From Vocal Exploration to Singing in Parts

The voice is everyone’s first instrument. During this session you will learn techniques for helping students with the transition from singing alone, to singing with others, in unison and in harmony.

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm  
Sticks, Chips, Cards, Candy: Creative Composition and Sight Reading Ideas

Working with the unknowns connected with reading music can be intimidating for music educators teaching at any level. This session will explore innovative ideas for music reading and writing that have been used successfully in music classrooms by the clinician.

2:45 pm - 3:45 pm  
Active Listening: Engaging the ears and the brain

As a music teacher, when you have students “listen” to a piece of music, how do you know if they are really engaged? Be prepared for an ending session with lots of active listening participation!

3:45 pm - 4:00 pm  
Q & A

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AND

Jazzmatazz  
Jazz Choir Workshop  
with Dr. Cedric Dent
Deborah T. Jacobs is a graduate of Stephens College (B.A.) and the University of Missouri - Columbia (M.Ed., Ed.Sp., Ph.D.). Deborah was a vocal music specialist for twenty-two years in Columbia Public Schools. After receiving her doctorate degree, she took a position as Coordinator of Music Education and Associate Director for Student Services in the Schwob School of Music at Columbus State University in Columbus, Georgia. She was also the Coordinator of Fine Arts for the Columbia Public Schools district in Columbia, Missouri. She retired in 2013, but has continued part-time in education, teaching vocal music and co-directing stage productions at Gentry Middle School.

Dr. Cedric Dent is a 10-time GRAMMY Award winner and Professor in the School of Music at Middle Tennessee State University where he directs the MTSU Singers, teaches a course he developed on the history of black gospel music, and undergraduate and graduate courses in music theory. Dent holds degrees from the University of Michigan (B.M.), the University of Alabama (M.M., 1987) and the University of Maryland (Ph.D.).

Schedule for JAZZMATAZZ with Dr. Dent:
9 AM-3 PM