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Dr. Griffin,

It is my privilege to extend to you an invitation to be one (of two) Nationally Recognized and Distinguished Adjudicators/Clinicians at the 2018 (Utah) State Junior High Jazz Festival in Lehi, Utah sponsored by The Utah Music Educators Association. This invitation is the result of searching nationally for the very top Jazz Educators recognized particularly for their work with secondary age students. You were recommended by several esteemed colleagues.

The Festival Adjudicators will arrive on Wednesday February 21st before the Festival on Thursday the 22nd. There will be an opportunity for you to present two clinics during the afternoon and evening on Wednesday two local middle school programs. The main Festival on the 22nd will include the top 15 Middle School Jazz Bands (based on audition). Each band will perform for the judging panel and then receive a clinic from one of the two Distinguished Out-of-State Adjudicators. The Festival begins on Thursday morning and will last the full day. The Adjudicators and Festival Staff will meet in the evening after the performances for dinner and a final meeting. Travel arrangements will be made to return home on Friday the 23rd.

We are excited to extend this invitation to you. Some additional information regarding the main festival can be found at: <http://umea.us/stjrhighjazz.php>. Please let me know if there are any additional questions. We are honored to have you working with our students at this festival.

Sincerely,

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