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MEDIA ADVISORY

District and River City Brass Partner to Provide "Saturday Music" New Free Supplemental Music Program to Develop Students' Musical Passions

WHAT:

The Pittsburgh Public Schools and River City Brass have teamed up to provide "Saturday Music," a new free supplemental program designed to explore and grow the musical interests and abilities of Pittsburgh Public Schools students. The program will offer the following five ensembles for students in grades 5-12: Bridge Band (grades 5-8), Youth Brass Band (grades 9-12), String Ensembles (grades 5-12), and Gospel Choirs (grades 5-12).

"Saturday Music" will meet Saturday mornings from 9AM-12PM, beginning with Placement Day on January 7 - May 5, 2012. Students should arrive to Placement Day with their instrument, piece of music, and completed placement form, which can be found online at www.pps.k12.pa.us. Placement Day is not an audition. Students will be placed in the appropriate ensemble based on skill level. "Saturday Music" will be held at Pittsburgh CAPA 6-12, located Downtown at 111 Ninth Street, Pittsburgh PA 15222.

WHEN:

Saturday Music Placement Day: Saturday, January 7, 2012 - 9AM-12PM **Saturday Music Weekly Program Dates:** Saturdays, January 14 – May 5, 2012 9AM-12PM (Closed March 17 and April 7, 2012)