

**Jim Jacobs  
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At 6, Jim started trumpet by observing his older sister's group lessons. He led his first band as a Cub Scout project. His first gig as a "ringer" in a local junior high's band was paid in pizza. Not much has changed. At 12, Jim discovered his passion with the Highland Park Pops where he can still be heard over 43 years later. Jim has performed at Lincoln Center, The Montreux Jazz Festival and toured Europe with Jazz Abroad. After graduating (1986) with honors from Berklee College of Music in Boston, Jim did studio work, performed at churches, and in bands and pit orchestras in and around Chicago. In 2003, Jim started mentoring the brass students at PCCS. He has also coached musicians at various high schools with an emphasis on jazz and improvisation. In subsequent years, he has managed all aspects of the PCCS Band program as assistant band director until 2016. After a two year hiatus, Jim is looking forward to returning to PCCS. He has led *Jim Jacobs Trio* as his sole profession since 2008. Please, visit [www.reverbnation.com/jimjacobsmusic](http://www.reverbnation.com/jimjacobsmusic) for more information and his performance schedule. All public performances are family friendly.