

PURDUE BANDS & ORCHESTRAS PRESENTS
PURDUE JAZZ FESTIVAL

JANUARY 25, 2025

DIRECTOR INFORMATION PACKET

Revised 12/4/2024

Dear Directors,

Purdue Bands & Orchestras welcomes you to the 35th Purdue Jazz Festival. The information below has been revised from previous years based on equipment and space availability at Purdue, so please look over the information carefully. We invite you and your bands to attend the clinics, student performances, and concerts in between your own performances. We are thrilled to offer the first *Essentially Ellington* Regional in Indiana (one of 25 regionals in the US) as a part of our annual fest. If you have questions, I'll be available via email anytime. Looking forward to gathering in January to celebrate jazz together!

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QUICK ROOM GUIDE

Performance Rooms	Ensemble Types	Warm-up Rooms
Elliott Hall of Music Stage	<i>Essentially Ellington</i> Big Bands	Elliott room 30 (Clinic will be in room 15)
Loeb Playhouse - Stewart Center	Large HS Big Bands	Stewart 206 - 2nd floor
Fowler Hall - Stewart Center	Large HS Big Bands	Stewart 278 - 2nd floor
Stewart 218 - Stewart Center	Small/2nd/3rd HS Big Bands	Stewart 279 - 2nd floor
Stewart 302 - Stewart Center	Small/2nd/3rd HS Big Bands	Stewart 313 - 3rd floor
Admissions Theatre - Stewart Center	Large HS Combos	Stewart 111 (Conference room-main floor)
Anniversary Drawing Room - PMU 210	Sm/2nd Combos, HS Non-comp Big Bands	PMU 230 "Director's Room" - 2nd floor
Hansen Theater - Pao Hall	Jr.H/MS Big Bands, select HS Non-comp. Big Bands	Mallet Theater (Pao Hall)

CLINICS (PMU ROOM 250)

- 10:00 AM - Mingus Big Band Horn Masterclass
- 11:00 AM - Mingus Big Band Rhythm Section Masterclass
- 1:30 PM - Leaders of Purdue Jazz Band: Balancing Music & University Life
- 2:30 PM - Sharel Cassity: Practice Games
- 3:30 PM - Marlin McKay: Jazz Gestures, Creating Effective Solos Through Melodic Content
- 4:30 PM - Jalen Baker: Vibraphonist, Jazz Fest Artist-in-Residence

CHECK-IN

Turn in Judges Folders (Scores & Rep/Solo Sheets) at Check-In. Please check into the building(s) where you perform.

Pao Hall: Check in/drop off students at the Pao Hall Back Entrance

Stewart Center/Memorial Union: Check in at the Stewart Lobby to drop off judges scores.

Elliott Hall of Music/EE Regional: Please turn in scores in the Lobby at Elliott before you transit to warm up
(enter across from the HOVD building, see map).

From registration, a Purdue student will escort you to homerooms/storage areas. For bands performing in both Stewart & Elliott, there will be homeroom space at both buildings as needed.

MUSIC SCORES AND REPERTOIRE & SOLOISTS SHEETS

For Big Bands: Provide 3 folders for the judges including scores with measured numbers & the Rep/Solo sheet.
Provide a 4th copy of the Rep/Solo Sheet for the announcer/awards.

For Combos: Provide 2 folders for the judges including scores or lead sheets with measured numbers & the Rep/Solo Sheet.
Provide a 3rd copy of the Rep/Solo Sheet for the announcer/awards.

The Solo/Rep sheet is editable. Please type and print 4 copies.

We encourage bands to play at least one swing tune in their repertoire.

PARKING

After buses drop off students for check in, ALL bus parking will be at back portion of the Discovery Lot (Lot 64 on Apple Maps), at the roundabout intersection of Harrison St. & Martin Jischke Drive. Please see the map on Page 5. Shuttles will bring drivers back to the Purdue Memorial Union where restaurants and lounge space are available. There is no director or bus driver hospitality provided. Use the Grant Street garage across from the Union for spectator parking.

HOMEROOM/STORAGE

Homerooms will have multiple bands per assigned room and will be monitored by a Jazz Fest volunteer. Please keep your equipment close together to accommodate other bands who will be sharing the space, and do not use the homerooms as student hang out spaces. No playing, eating or drinking allowed. Because of our limited space, please move your equipment to your buses as soon as possible after your performance(s). If you have a late performance time and need storage until after the Final Concert, Stewart 214 will be available.

WARM-UP

Be ready to transit to your warm-up 40 minutes before performance, when your Purdue Student Guide will meet you. Your warm up will begin 30 minutes before your scheduled performance time and will last for 20 minutes, allowing your band 10 minutes of travel time to performance. The warm-up room for each performance hall is listed on the "Quick Room Guide" on Page 1. A snare drum, cymbal stand & keyboard will be provided in Stewart/Union/Pao warm up rooms.

PERFORMANCE TIME (STEWART/UNION/PAO)

Each band will be allowed 30 minutes total time from entry-exit, including set up (please utilize our provided equipment), performance, and clinic. Please keep your performance under 18 minutes to leave a few minutes for an adjudicator clinic, and to ensure that we remain on schedule throughout the day.

PERFORMANCE EQUIPMENT

Provided: Drum Sets - Fully equipped 5-piece drum sets and hardware/cymbal stands/hi-hat stand
Vibes and Piano - Performance rooms will be equipped with a set of vibes and a piano/keyboard
Music Stands - Performance rooms will be provided with 25 stands (big band) and 9 stands (combos)
Essentially Ellington Regional bands - Please see additional information in the "EE" paragraph below

Not Provided/Bring Your Own: Cymbals including hi-hats & clutch
Any auxiliary percussion (including congas)
Bass and Guitar amps as well as cables/patch cords
Any other items not listed as "provided" above

ESSENTIALLY ELLINGTON REGIONAL ONLY: PERFORMANCE/CLINIC/EQUIPMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Essentially Ellington Regional Bands at Elliott (Enter across from HOVD, see map) will have an 18-minute performance time, and then transition to a room for a 20-minute clinic with an *Essentially Ellington* Adjudicator. Reminder that you are required to play one piece from the *Essentially Ellington* Library. To reduce equipment moves for groups that have bands at Elliott & other buildings, guitar & bass amps will also be provided for warmup/performance/clinic at Elliott but bands will still need to bring cymbals/hi-hat/clutch, any aux percussion, guitar cables. An additional email to EE directors will be sent before the fest including a luncheon invite with the EE Adjudicators.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON CONCERT

The Purdue Jazz Band will perform in Loeb Playhouse (Stewart Center) at 12:45 PM, featuring guest artists Jalen Baker, Sharel Cassity, and Marlin McKay. The event is free and no tickets are required.

SATURDAY EVENING CONCERT

The Purdue Jazz Band will perform at the Elliott Hall of Music from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM, featuring guest artist Camille Thurman. Enter across from HOVD, see map. The event is free event and no tickets are required. The concert will begin with a high school band chosen by the adjudicators from the *Essentially Ellington* Regional room. Awards are presented towards the end of the program.

TICKETS

All Saturday Festival Performances, Clinics, and Concerts are free and open to the public and no tickets required.

The festival has multiple ticketed concerts throughout the week, including the Mingus Band on Friday in Loeb Playhouse. For more information/tickets to Mingus please go to www.purdue.edu/bands/jazz-festival/.

AWARDS

Plaques will be presented to the top three groups from each performance venue and outstanding individuals will be recognized with certificates. We will also have jazz camp scholarships to Birch Creek, Blue Lake, and Sharel Cassity's JAZZUP Institute (www.jazzupinstitute.com). Awards will be announced and presented during the Saturday Evening concert and available for pick up in the Elliott lobby after the concert ends.

ADJUDICATION AND RATINGS

All bands will be fully adjudicated through written and recorded comments. Non-competitive school scores/*Essentially Ellington* Regional scores will not be published. Included in this packet is a sample adjudication form to let you know what the judges will be listening for. Audio adjudicator recordings and a video of the performance will be provided digitally at the end of the day. The adjudicator comment sheets/scores will be available for pickup approx. 45 minutes after your performance at contest headquarters for Stewart/Union performing groups. Elliott & Pao performer results will be available at the registration tables in those buildings.

CONTEST HEADQUARTERS

The contest headquarters will be located at Stewart Center 109 C (East) Lounge for band directors and contest officials.

INSTRUMENT REPAIR

Brent Laidler of Brent's Bench in Lafayette will have a table located in the foyer at the entrance to Fowler Hall in Stewart Center for emergency instrument repair/accessories.

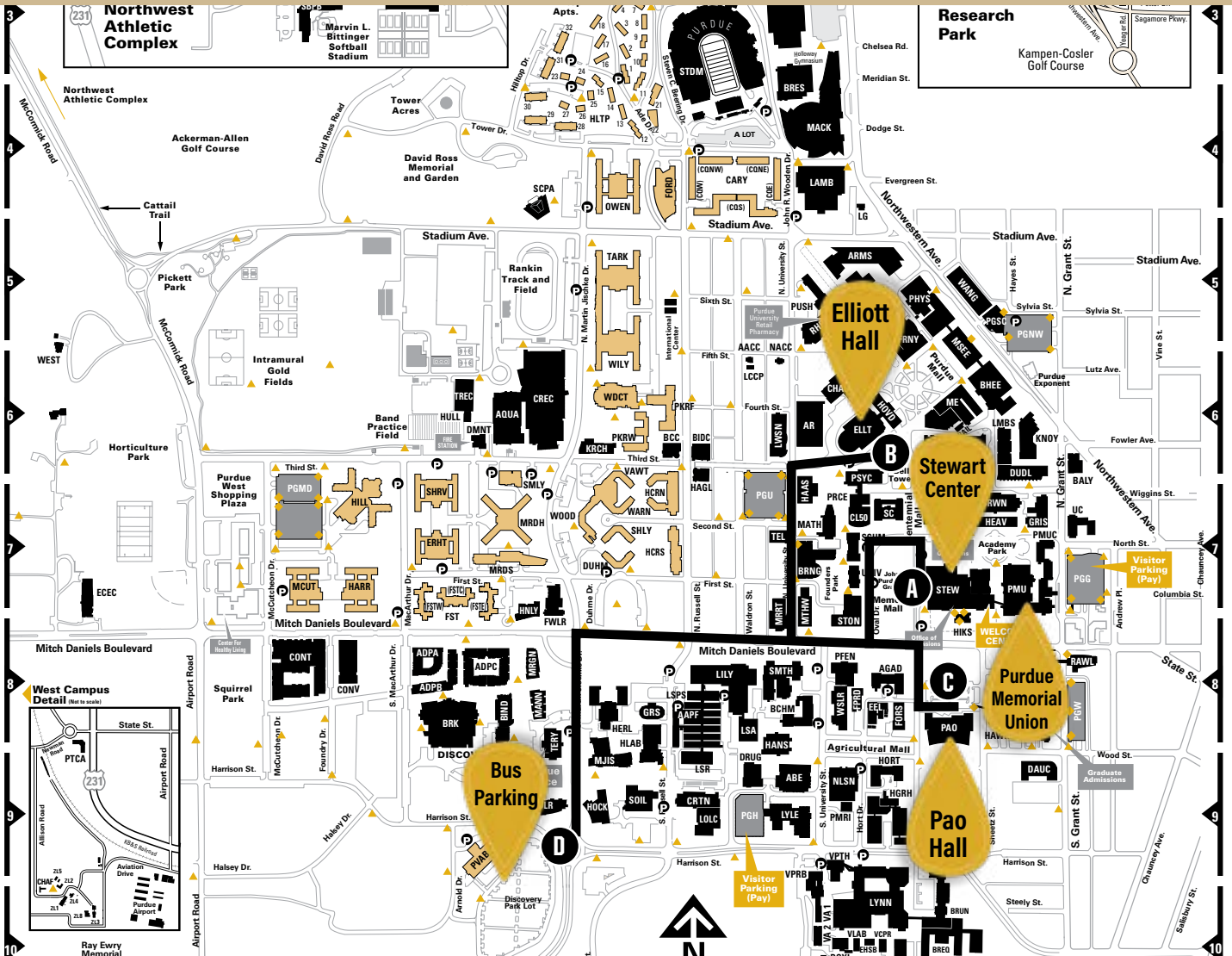
FOOD SERVICE

It is a rule in the Purdue Memorial Union and Stewart Center that there is NO outside catering – if you bring in outside food, Purdue will fine your band. Extensive food services are available on the bottom floor of the Purdue Memorial Union adjacent to Stewart Center.

Anyway You Slice It - Pizza & Calzones
Tenders, Love & Chicken - Chicken Tenders
DSJ Asian Grill - American Chinese
Walk-On's - Louisiana Sports Bistreaux
Starbucks - Coffee Refreshers, Pastries
Zen - Poke Bowls & Boba Teas
Sushi Boss - Rolls & Bowls
Boilermaker Market - Snacks & On The Go

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LEGEND

A Stewart Center Drop Off

C Pao Hall Drop Off

B Elliott Hall Drop Off

D Discovery Lot Bus Parking

THINGS TO NOTE

- All busses (high school AND middle school) will part in the Discovery Parking Lot.
- Pao Hall drop off will be BEHIND the building and bands will enter through the back. The road is one way - enter from Sheetz St.
- All Elliott performers and spectators, please enter across from HOVD building.

Purdue Jazz Festival

Saturday, January 25, 2025

SCHEDULE of PERFORMANCES

	Elliott Stage (Elliott Hall of Music)	Loeb Playhouse (Stewart Center)	Fowler Hall (Stewart Center)	Stewart 218 (Stewart Center)	Stewart 302 (Stewart Center)	Admissions Theatre (Stewart Center)	Anniversary Drawing Room (Memorial Union)	Hansen Theatre (Pao Hall)
2	"Essentially Ellington"	Jazz Bands: Large HS & #1 Bands	Jazz Bands: Small HS & #2, #3 Bands	Large HS Combos	Small/2nd Combos	HS Non-Competitive	HS Non-Competitive	Jazz Bands: M.S. / Jr. High
0	Warm-up Room Elliott: Room 30	Warm-up Room Stewart 206	Warm-up Room Stewart 278	Warm-up Room Stewart 279	Warm-up Room Stewart 313	Warm-up Room Stewart 111 (Conference)	Warm-up Room Pao - Mallet Theatre	HS Non-Competitive
2	McCUTCHEON Big Red Jazz Band	Harrison Jazz Band	West Lafayette Jazz Ensemble	Lebanon Jazz Ensemble	Kokomo Jazz Kats	Whitney Young Jazz Sextet	Crispus Attucks Jazz Combo - NC	Wea Ridge MS Jazz Ensemble
5	Lafayette Jefferson Jazz Ensemble	Ben Davis Jazz Ensemble 1	Arsenal Tech Jazz 1	Zionsville Silver Jazz Band	Badger Jazz Workshop	Oswego East Jazz Combo	Oswego Jazz Combo	Carmel MS Jazz Band
9:00 a.m.	New Palestine Jazz Orchestra	North Central Jazz Ensemble	Perry Meridian Meridian Street Blues	West Aurora Jazz Band	George Washington Jazz Band	John Hersey Andy's Combo	Snider Jazz Combo 1	Noblesville East MS Jazz Band #1
9:30 a.m.	Greenfield Central Jazz Band 1	Crown Point Jazz Band	Franklin Central Jazz Ensemble #1	Oswego Jazz Ensemble 2	Shawano Jazz II	John Hersey Promontory Combo	Whitney Young Jazz Octet	Lincoln MS Jazz
10:00 a.m.	Noblesville Jazz 2	Badger Jazz Ensemble	Terre Haute South Jazz Band	Centerville Jazz Ensemble	McCUTCHEON Lil' Red Jazz Band	John Hersey Green Mill Combo	Snider Jazz Combo 2	Noblesville East MS Jazz Band #2
10:30 a.m.	Zionsville Green Jazz Band	Oswego Jazz Ensemble 1	East Noble Jazz Band	Goshen Red Wire Jazz Strings	North Central Jazz Lab Band	Lafayette Jefferson Basie Combo	Arsenal Tech Jazz 2 - NC	Honey Creek MS Jazz Band
11:00 a.m.	Beloit Jazz Ensemble	Valparaiso Lab Jazz Band	Whitney Young Jazz Ensemble	Champaign Central Stage Band	Greenfield Central Jazz Band 2	Carl Sandburg Combo 1	Washington Township Senator Jazz - NC	Greensburg Jr. High Jazz Band
11:30 a.m.	Loeb Playhouse: 12:45 p.m. CONCERT - Purdue Jazz Band featuring Jalen Baker, Sharel Cassidy, and Martin McKay							
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Loeb Playhouse: 12:45 p.m. CONCERT - Purdue Jazz Band featuring Jalen Baker, Sharel Cassidy, and Martin McKay							
1:30 p.m.	Concord Jazz I	Southport 12 O'Clock Jazz Band	Carl Sandburg Jazz Ensemble	Bloomington North Studio Jazz Ensemble	Champaign Central Lab Band	Mundelein Jazz Combo	Greenfield Central Jazz Band 3 - NC	Jefferson MS Jazz Ensemble
2:00 p.m.	Penn Advanced Jazz Ensemble	West Aurora Jazz Ensemble	Decatur Central Jazz Ensemble #1	DeKalb Jazz Too	John Hersey Jazz Ensemble 2	Carroll Combo	Taylor Blues Band - NC	Old Quarry MS Jazz Band I
2:30 p.m.	Valparaiso Studio Jazz Band	Floyd Central Gold Big Band	Oak Park & River Forest Jazz Ensemble	Shawano Jazz I	Goshen Crimson Jazz Ensemble	Champaign Central New Street Combo	Wheeling Jazz Combo	Riverside JH Jazz Band
3:00 p.m.	Whiteland Jazz Band One	Pike Jazz Ensemble 1	Oswego East Jazz Ensemble	Southport Banta Blues	Concord Jazz II	Bloomington North Combo A	Champaign Central Lynn Street Combo	Old Quarry MS Jazz Band II
3:30 p.m.	Noblesville Jazz 1	Castle 12 O'Clock Jazz Ensemble	DeKalb Jazz One	Decatur Central Jazz Ensemble #2	Greensburg Jazz Band	Bloomington North Combo B	Champaign Central Park Street Combo	Central Middle International Jazz Kats
4:00 p.m.	Valparaiso Jazz Ensemble	Wheeling Jazz Band	John Hersey Jazz Ensemble	Penn Intermediate Jazz Ensemble	Mundelein Jazz Orchestra	Bloomington North Combo C	Lafayette Jefferson Jazz Lab Combo	Owen Valley HS Jazz Ensemble - NC
4:30 p.m.	Beloit Jazz Orchestra	Goshen Advanced Crimson Jazz Ensemble	Taylor Jazz Band 1	Pike Jazz Ensemble 2	Whiteland Jazz Band Three	IPS All-City Combo	Oak Park & River Forest Jazz Combo	Elkhart HS Jazz Band #1 - NC
5:00 p.m.	Champaign Central Jazz Ensemble	Northrop Jazz 1	Leo Jazz Orchestra	Concord Jazz 3	Tri-West HS Blue Alliance Jazz Band	Penn Kaleidoscope Jazz Combo	Castle 12 O'Clock Jazz Combo	Jr. High / M.S. AWARDS
5:30 p.m.	Concert Set-up	Carroll Jazz Ens. #1	Mundelein Jazz Ensemble	Whiteland Jazz Band Two	Wheeling Jazz Band 2	Lafayette Jefferson Ellington Combo	Pike HS Jazz Combo	
6:00 p.m.		Bloomington North Advanced Jazz Ens.	Homestead Jazz 1					
7:00 p.m.	Elliott Hall of Music: AWARDS & FINALE CONCERT - Purdue Jazz Band featuring Camille Thurman							

Director's Check-in will be the Stewart Center Lobby (near Loeb Playhouse) for bands performing in Loeb Playhouse, Fowler Hall, Stewart: 218, 302, Admissions Theatre, PMU: Anniv. Drawing Room
 Director's Check-in will be at the Elliott Hall of Music Lower Lobby for bands performing in the Elliott Hall of Music (entrance across from Howde Hall - ground level)
 Director's Check-in will be at Pau Hall for bands performing in the Hansen Theatre (Middle/Jr. High Bands, select/assigned HS Non-competitive Bands)

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BIG BAND ADJUDICATION SHEET

School Name: _____

Band Name: _____

Director Name: _____

Selections

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Composer

Ensemble (Wind Players)	/50
Quality: Sound/Intonation	
Technique	
Musicality	
50 42 34 0	
/ I / II / III /	

Comments:

Rhythm Section	/25
Technique	
Time	
Sensitivity	
25 21 17 0	
/ I / II / III /	

Comments:

Soloists	/15
Technique	
Jazz Ideas/Style	
Communication	
Excitement	
15 13 11 0	
/ I / II / III /	

Comments:

Other Factors	/10
Choice of Music	
Programming	
Jazz Excitement	
Stage Presence	
10 9 8 0	
/ I / II / III /	

Comments:

TOTAL SCORE	/100
100 85 70 0	
/ I / II / III /	

Comments:

Judge's Signature: _____

PURDUE JAZZ FESTIVAL

COMBO ADJUDICATION SHEET

School Name: _____

Band Name: _____

Director Name: _____

Selections

Composer

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Soloists

Technique

Jazz Ideas/Style

Communication

Excitement

50 42 34 0
/ I / II / III /

/50

Comments:

Rhythm Section

Technique

Time

Sensitivity

25 21 17 0
/ I / II / III /

/25

Comments:

Ensemble (Wind Players)

Quality: Sound/Intonation

Technique

Musicality

15 13 11 0
/ I / II / III /

/15

Comments:

Other Factors

Choice of Music

Programming

Jazz Excitement

Stage Presence

10 9 8 0
/ I / II / III /

/10

Comments:

TOTAL SCORE

/100

Comments:

100 85 70 0
/ I / II / III /

Judge's Signature: _____