

Belmont University
Summer Winds Band Camp
Camp Handbook

June 9-15, 2024

**Belmont Summer Winds Band Camp
1900 Belmont Boulevard
Nashville, TN 37212**

Phone: 615-460-6024

GENERAL INFORMATION

PURPOSE

The Belmont Summer Youth Wind Symphony is a unique summer camp event for high school students entering grades 7-12. Camp students are under the artistic guidance of the outstanding Belmont University instrumental and ensemble faculty. The goal of the camp is to provide music education opportunities in diverse styles, enhancing student growth in public school music programs in and outside the state of Tennessee.

DAILY SCHEDULE

Students will be involved in large ensemble rehearsals, chamber music sessions, and master class lessons on their instrument. Students will be assigned to a chamber group that will best fit their playing experience and strengths. Master classes are taught by the Belmont University applied wind and percussion faculty. Each student receives personal attention from the instructors. Recreational activities and evening social events will provide ample balance during the week. Students are under careful supervision by camp counselors during all activities.

The sample daily schedule is as follows:

7:00 AM	Breakfast for overnight campers
8:30 AM	Commuters Check in
9:00 AM	Rehearsal/Masterclass
11:30 AM	Lunch
1:00 PM	Rehearsal/Master Classes
3:00 PM	Commuters Depart (Massey Performing Arts Center parking lot)
3:15 PM	Jazz Ensemble
5:00 PM	Dinner
7:00 PM	Evening Activity (for overnight campers)
10:00 PM	Dormitory Check-in Time

HOUSING AND MEALS

Junior high school (JHS) participants (grades 7-8) are not eligible for overnight housing and must register as commuters (daytime only). JHS participants arrive at 8:30 am and depart at 3:00 pm. Lunch will be provided. If participants elect to play in the jazz ensemble, they will depart at 5:00 pm. Dinner is not included in the commuter plan for JHS participants.

High school (HS) commuter participants will arrive at 8:30 am and depart at 3:00 pm. If students play in the jazz ensemble, departure is 5:00 pm. HS commuter participants may stay for evening activities if desired. Dinner is included for HS commuters.

Resident (overnight) high school participants will be housed in Belmont University dormitories. Roommates will be assigned randomly by gender unless roommate requests are indicated on the registration form. Age and grade level will be considered in making random assignments. While in the dormitories, participants will be under the careful supervision of the camp staff, and security will be a priority. All meals will be served in the Harrington Place Dining Hall and will begin with dinner on Sunday, June 9 and end with breakfast on Saturday, June 15.

COST

There are two options for participation in the seven-day camp. All campers pay a \$100 application fee. The remaining cost for resident campers (after the application fee) is \$600 and includes tuition, lodging, all meals, activities, and a camp t-shirt. The remaining cost for commuter campers is \$300 and includes tuition, lunch and dinner, and a camp t-shirt. Only lunch is provided for JHS participants.

ELIGIBILITY

The camp is open to all woodwind, brass, and percussion students who will enter grades 7-12 in the Fall Semester of 2024. Seniors who have completed their final high school year are also eligible if they are entering as a Belmont student in the next fall. Participants must have had prior experience on their instrument and demonstrate an acceptable level of performance suited for a week of intensive study and performance.

CAMP FACULTY AND STAFF

The camp features the outstanding faculty of the Belmont University School of Music. Large ensembles are led by band faculty, and chamber ensembles will be coached by members of the instrumental faculty. Counseling staff includes Belmont University students and alumni who are present at all times to assist and supervise campers.

AUDITIONS

Each student will be asked to submit a short video audition for chair placement in the ensembles prior to the camp. Audition materials will be placed on our website in May, and the camp director will notify all participants of this process by email.

REFUND POLICY

The \$100 deposit is non-refundable. Cancellations prior to the first day of camp will incur no additional charge and will receive a full refund (minus the deposit). Cancellations after the first day of camp will receive a refund of half the tuition (minus the deposit); however, no refunds will be granted for cancellations on or after Wednesday.

CAMP REGULATIONS AND BEHAVIORAL POLICIES

- Campers will conduct themselves professionally at all times and will adhere to the rules and regulations of Belmont University.
- Campers are expected to wear appropriate clothing for rehearsals, master classes, and recreational events. Shoes are required at all times.
- All campers are expected to respect the rights and property of others.
- Smoking is prohibited on campus.
- Failure to observe guidelines may result in early dismissal from the camp with no refund of tuition and fees.

COMPUTER ACCESS AND PERSONAL ELECTRONICS

Wireless internet access is available across campus. Laptops or notebook pads are allowed in the dormitories and during free time. Belmont University computers will not be available to camp participants. Cellular phones are prohibited in all rehearsals and master classes.

WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP

MUSICAL EQUIPMENT

1. Your personal instrument(s).
2. Percussionists must bring their own sticks and mallets.
3. Brass players should bring mutes.
4. Any music you might want to practice, etude books, solos, etc...
5. Accessories and supplies such as reeds and valve oil. We do not provide these items.
6. You MUST bring a pencil to all rehearsals and master classes.
7. Storage rooms will be provided for all instruments. Campers may leave instruments in the designated storage rooms overnight.
8. A music folder will be provided to you at no cost.

CLOTHES

1. Casual clothes and shoes for rehearsals, master classes, and instructional time. Please dress appropriately at all times.
2. For the final concert:
 - Men – dress shirt, tie, and slacks (coat is optional)
 - Women – blouse and dress pants or a dress

ITEMS FOR THE DORMITORY

1. Twin sheets (extra long), blanket, pillow, and pillow case.
2. Bath towels, washcloth, soap, and other toiletries (these are not provided).
3. You may wish to bring a small fan and a heavy blanket, as the thermostats are not individually controlled, therefore causing fluctuating temperatures.
4. Money: Although most camp activities are included in the cost of tuition, you may want to bring extra money for optional events and incidentals such as snacks, drinks, and souvenirs at the campus bookstore.

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

CHECK-IN TIME

- Onsite check-in for resident HS participants will take place in the lobby of Potter Hall (#11 on map) beginning at 2:00 PM on Sunday, June 9.
- HS commuter participants should arrive at 4:00 pm in McAfee Hall. An informational meeting will follow at 4:00 pm in McAfee Hall.
- JHS students will check in at 8:30 am on Monday, June 10 in the lobby of Massey Concert Hall. Please see the map attached to the end of this document for identification of buildings.
- If you are driving to camp, you must check your keys in with the head counselor upon arrival. Residents will not be allowed to leave campus in personal vehicles during the week. Commuter students, if driving, must report to a counselor upon arrival and departure.
- PARKING IS AVAILABLE IN THE CURB EVENT CENTER GARAGE (#27 on map).

DORMITORY AND DINING HALL ACCESS

Campers will receive a card and a room key that provides access to the dining hall, the residence hall, and the dormitory room. Should a student lose their card or key, replacement costs will be billed to the camper at a cost of \$10 for the card and \$30 for the key.

SENDING MAIL

Mail may be addressed to: Name, Summer Wind Symphony Camp, 1900 Belmont Blvd., Nashville, TN 37212. The camp office is not responsible for mail that arrives past the conclusion of the camp. We recommend not sending mail past Wednesday.

MEDICAL CARE

Camp participants should bring a medical insurance card with them to camp. Walk-in clinic care is NOT available on campus during the camp. In the event of mild illness, the camp staff will contact the parent (via home and cell number provided on the registration form) and allow the student to rest in the dormitory. In the event of severe illness or emergency, camp staff will call 911, and the participant will be taken to the nearest emergency room. All medical charges (emergency room, laboratories, x-ray facilities, etc.) are the responsibility of the parent or guardian. Campers must be able to administer their own prescription medications which must be declared on the final registration form. Counseling staff will not be responsible for administering medication.

LEAVING CAMPUS/EARLY DEPARTURE/EMERGENCIES

In the event of an emergency during regular daytime hours, please call the camp office at (615) 460-6024. After hours, please call Belmont Campus Security at (615) 460-6617 and ask for the resident assistant on duty in Potter Hall.

FINAL CONCERT

Participants will take part in closing performances on Saturday, June 15 in McAfee Concert Hall.

9:30 AM JHS and HS Percussion Ensembles
10:00 AM JHS and HS Jazz Ensembles
11:00 AM JHS Concert Band and HS Wind Ensemble

FINAL CHECK OUT TIME

Students must check out of their rooms prior to the concert. Students will be allowed to begin the checkout process at 7:00AM. In the event that a camper's parents have not arrived by the start of the concert, students may place their luggage in the designated counselor's room for retrieval after the performance.