

Belmont University
Summer Winds Band Camp
Handbook

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Belmont Summer Winds Band Camp

1900 Belmont Boulevard

Nashville, TN 37212

Phone: 615-460-6024

GENERAL INFORMATION

PURPOSE

The Belmont Summer Winds Band Camp 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. **Note:** all commuters will depart campus at 3:30 pm each day (or 5:00 pm if participating in jazz ensemble). HS commuters will not stay for evening activities M-W but may eat on campus if participating in the talent show on Thursday. HS commuters may also eat on campus Friday evening due to the

The sample daily schedule is as follows:

7:00 AM	Breakfast for overnight campers
8:30 AM	Commuters Check in
9:00 AM	Rehearsal / Master Class / Chamber Music
11:30 AM	Lunch
1:00 PM	Rehearsal / Master Class / Chamber Music
3:30 PM	Commuters Depart (Massey Performing Arts Center parking lot)
3:30 PM	Jazz Ensemble
5:00 PM	Dinner; jazz commuters depart
7:00 PM	Evening Activity (for overnight campers)
11:00 PM	Lights Out

HOUSING AND MEALS

Middle School (MS) participants (grades 7-8) are not eligible for overnight housing and must register as commuters (daytime only). Dinner is not included in the plan for commuter participants.

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 via university dining services and will begin with dinner on Sunday and end with breakfast on Saturday.

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 \$700 and includes tuition, lodging, all meals, activities, and a camp t-shirt. The remaining cost for commuter campers is \$400 and includes tuition, lunch, and a camp t-shirt. Only lunch is provided for MS participants and HS commuters.

ELIGIBILITY

The camp is open to all woodwind, brass, and percussion students who will enter grades 7-12 in the upcoming fall semester. 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 acceptable 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.

ENSEMBLES

All students will be assigned to the Concert Band or Wind Ensemble and a like-instrument Chamber Ensemble. Jazz Ensemble is an elective, and students indicate their interest through the registration/payment process. Jazz Ensemble meets in the afternoons from 3:30-5:00 PM and requires commitment to the daily rehearsals. Commuters in Jazz Ensemble will be dismissed at 5:00 PM.

CHAIR-PLACEMENT AUDITIONS

Each student will be asked to submit a short video audition for chair placement in the ensembles prior to the camp. Students may find instructions and submit a chair-placement video at this link: <https://forms.gle/yruzCayXntoGsWP97> OR use the QR code.



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. Bullying is prohibited in all forms.
- Smoking/vaping and use of substances/alcohol are prohibited.
- 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. Smart phones are prohibited in all rehearsals and master classes unless being used as a tuning device.

WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP

MUSICAL EQUIPMENT

1. Your personal instrument(s).
2. Percussionists must bring their own snare sticks and mallets. A mallet bag is recommended.
3. Brass players should bring all mutes (MS students at least a straight mute).
4. Accessories and supplies such as extra reeds and valve oil. We do not provide these items.
5. You MUST bring a pencil to all rehearsals and master classes.
6. Storage rooms will be provided for all instruments. Campers may leave instruments in the designated storage rooms overnight.
7. 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. A small fan and a blanket recommended.
4. Extra money for optional events and incidentals such as snacks, drinks, and souvenirs at the campus bookstore.
5. No trash can is provided in the dorm room. Trash cans are available in the hallway.
6. Hand soap and personal hygiene products. Soap is not provided.
7. Toilet paper is provided, but you may wish to bring your own.
8. Bath towel and hand towel (not provided)

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

CHECK-IN TIME

- A campus map is available at the end of this document.
- Check-in for resident HS participants will take place in the lobby of Kennedy Hall (#56 on map) beginning at 2:00 PM on Sunday, June 7.
- HS commuter participants should check in at 4:00 pm at the glass doors on the north side of McAfee Hall on Belmont Blvd (#29 on map). An informational meeting will follow at 4:15 pm in McAfee Hall.
- MS students will check in at 8:15 am on Monday, June 8. Woodwinds should check in at the parking lot of the Hitch Building (#41 on map). Brass and percussion should check in at the front of McAfee Hall (#29 on map).
- 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 (#34 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 \$75 for the key. Dormitory policy violations (which will be discussed in camper meetings) incur a \$50 fee.

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 according to information provided by parents in the registration process. 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 prescribed medications. However, counselors may administer over the counter pain relievers (ibuprofen or acetaminophen) with parental permission.

SAFETY PLAN

In the event of campus emergency such as severe weather, fire, or lock down, campers will follow an established safety plan. Details of safety plans, routes, and meeting locations will be communicated during camper meetings on the first day.

LEAVING CAMPUS/EARLY DEPARTURE/EMERGENCIES

In the event of an emergency during regular daytime hours, please call the camp office at (615) 460-6024.

PERFORMANCES AND FINAL CONCERT

Friday

- 2:30 PM MS Chamber Ensembles (McAfee Hall)
- 3:30 PM MS Jazz Ensemble (McAfee Hall)
- 7:00 PM HS Woodwind and Brass Chamber Ensembles (McAfee Hall)

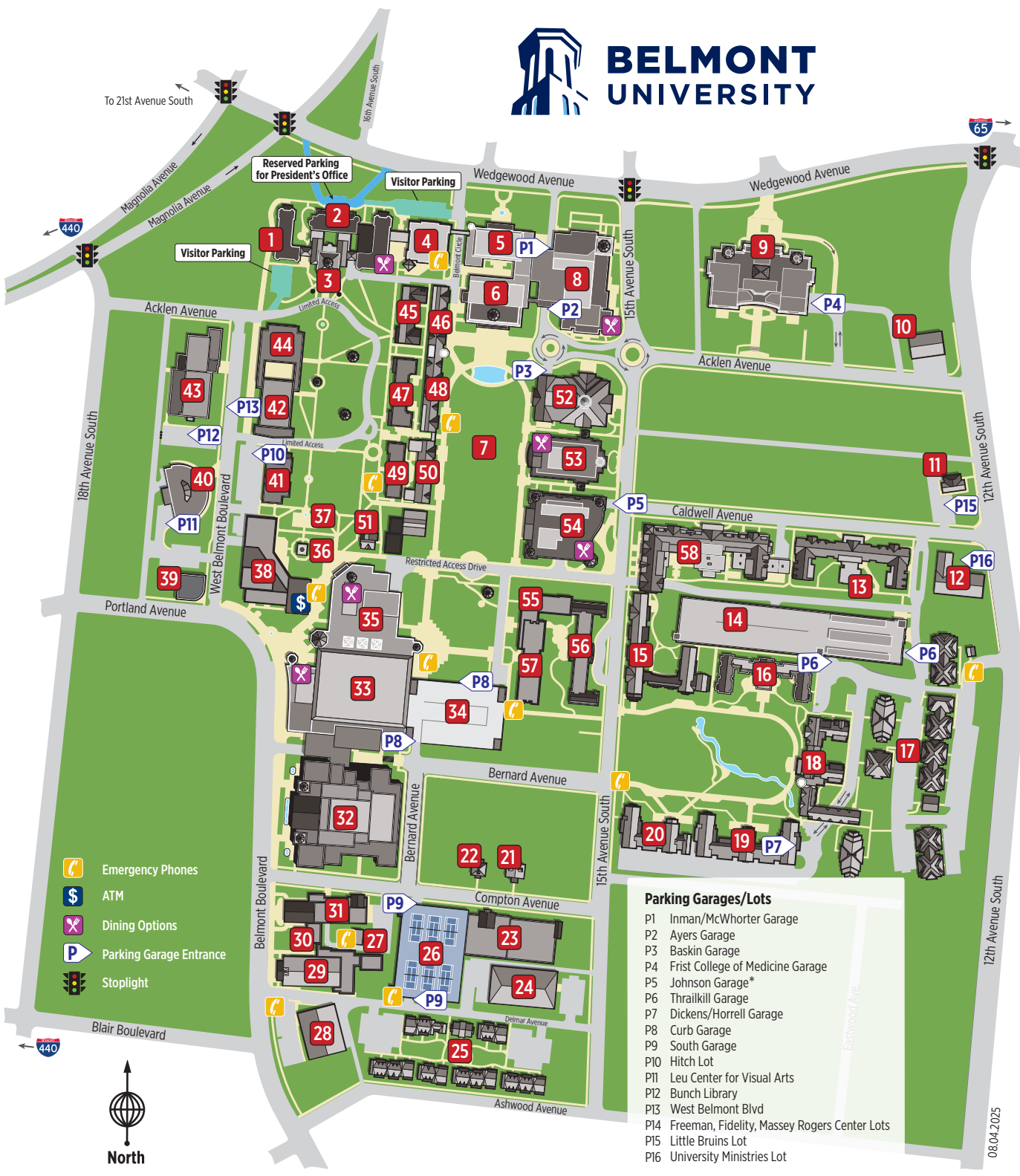
Saturday

- 9:30 AM MS and HS Percussion Ensembles (McAfee)
- 10:00 AM HS Jazz Ensemble (McAfee)
- 10:30 AM MS Concert Band (McAfee)
- 11:00 AM HS Wind Ensemble (McAfee)

Parents are welcome to attend all performances.

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. Checkout must be completed by 9:00 AM. 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 storage area in McAfee Hall.



Parking Garages/Lots

- P1 Inman/McWhorter Garage
- P2 Ayers Garage
- P3 Baskin Garage
- P4 Frist College of Medicine Garage
- P5 Johnson Garage*
- P6 Thraillkill Garage
- P7 Dickens/Horrell Garage
- P8 Curb Garage
- P9 South Garage
- P10 Hitch Lot
- P11 Leu Center for Visual Arts
- P12 Bunch Library
- P13 West Belmont Blvd
- P14 Freeman, Fidelity, Massey Rogers Center Lots
- P15 Little Bruins Lot
- P16 University Ministries Lot

NUMERICAL LISTING

- 1 Fidelity Hall
- 2 Freeman Hall
- 3 Belmont Mansion
- 4 Rogers Center
- 5 Inman Center (P)
- 6 McWhorter Hall (P)
- 7 The Lawn
- 8 Ayers Academic Center (P)
- 9 Thomas F. Frist, Jr. College of Medicine (P)
- 10 The UPS Store at Belmont
- 11 Little Bruins Preschool
- 12 Belmont Ministry Center
- 13 Hewlett Hall
- 14 Thraillkill Garage (P)
- 15 Russell Hall
- 16 Thraillkill Hall
- 17 Hillside
- 18 Benz Hall
- 19 Dickens Hall (P)
- 20 Horrell Hall (P)
- 21 Guitar House, 1508 Compton
- 22 Enactus, 1512 Compton
- 23 Crockett Center for Athletic Excellence
- 24 Facilities Management Services
- 25 Belmont Commons
- 26 South Garage/Tennis Facility (P)
- 27 Dynamo Room
- 28 Department of Sport Science
- 29 McAfee Concert Hall
- 30 Belmont Heights
- 31 Trout/Black Box Theater Complex
- 32 The Fisher Center for the Performing Arts
- 33 Curb Event Center
- 34 Curb Garage (P)
- 35 Beaman Student Life Center
- 36 Bell Tower
- 37 West Amphitheatre
- 38 Gabhart Student Center
- 39 O'More College Annex
- 40 Leu Center for the Visual Arts
- 41 Hitch Building
- 42 Massey Performing Arts Center
- 43 Bunch Library
- 44 Wilson Music Building
- 45 Heron Hall
- 46 Patton Hall
- 47 Pembroke Hall
- 48 Bear House
- 49 Hail Hall
- 50 Potter Hall
- 51 Foutch Alumni House
- 52 Baskin Center (P)
- 53 Massey Center
- 54 Johnson Center (P)
- 55 Maddox Hall
- 56 Kennedy Hall
- 57 Wright Hall
- 58 Wiseman Hall

ALPHABETICAL LISTING

- 53 Admissions - Welcome Center
- 8 Ayers Academic Center (P)
- 52 Baskin Center (P)
- 35 Beaman Student Life Center
- 48 Bear House
- 36 Bell Tower
- 25 Belmont Commons
- 30 Belmont Heights
- 3 Belmont Mansion
- 12 Belmont Ministry Center
- 18 Benz Hall
- 53 The BruinShop
- 43 Bunch Library
- 23 Crockett Center for Athletic Excellence
- 33 Curb Event Center
- 34 Curb Garage (P)
- 19 Dickens Hall (P)
- 27 Dynamo Room
- 22 Enactus, 1512 Compton
- 24 Facilities Management Services
- 1 Fidelity Hall
- 32 The Fisher Center for the Performing Arts
- 51 Foutch Alumni House
- 2 Freeman Hall
- 38 Gabhart Student Center
- 43 Gallery of Iconic Guitars (GIG)
- 21 Guitar House, 1508 Compton
- 49 Hail Hall
- 54 Harrington Place Dining (dining)
- 43 Hart Studio Museum
- 45 Heron Hall
- 13 Hewlett Hall
- 17 Hillside
- 41 Hitch Building
- 20 Horrell Hall (P)
- 5 Inman Center (P)
- 54 Johnson Center (P)
- 56 Kennedy Hall
- 7 The Lawn
- 43 Leu Art Gallery
- 40 Leu Center for the Visual Arts
- 11 Little Bruins Preschool
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(P) Parking Garages

Campus Security 615.460.6617
University Operator 615.460.6000



*Johnson Garage: Visitor Parking on levels P1 & P2 on Jack C. Massey side

For a comprehensive, searchable campus map that includes all dining, retail and University department locations, please visit map.belmont.edu.



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