

JAZZ ENSEMBLE

School Year 2025-2026, Tuesday and Thursday 5:00-7:00 PM, Room F107

Instructor: Mr. Nick Seifert, Instrumental Music

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I. AUDITIONS

Auditions will be held after school on Tuesday November 25. Slots will be available from 3PM-6PM. To find the audition materials, please follow the “audition information” button on the canvas page.

II. COMMUNICATION

The sheet music, required paperwork, schedules, and other important information for students will be housed on a jazz band Canvas site. Let Mr. Seifert know if you need to be added.

Detailed schedules for show weeks will also be communicated by email from Mr. Seifert. Please look out for these and follow up on any items that need response.

III. SCHEDULE

Regular Rehearsals are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:00-7:00 PM.

In December, we will practice on Thursday December 4, Tuesday December 16, and Thursday December 18

Starting on January 8, we will practice on every Tuesday and Thursday with the following departures...

- Thursday January 22 – No Jazz – End of Semester
- Thursday February 26 – No Jazz – Black and White
- Thursday March 5 – No Jazz – Heavy performance week
- Thursday March 12 – No Jazz – BCMEA
- Tuesday March 24 and Thursday March 26 – No Jazz – Musical Tech week
- Tuesday April 14 – Fine Arts practice during the school day at Log. No practice after school.

The jazz season will end with the performance at Fine Arts, Tuesday April 14.

The following is our 2025-2026 performance schedule

- Wednesday February 18 – Perform at student leadership summit, during school day at WTHS
- Friday February 20 – Cavalcade competition – CB West
- Tuesday March 3 - Essentially Ellington at Temple (during school day)
- Friday March 6 – Cavalcade competition - Unionville
- Saturday March 21 – Cavalcade competition – West Chester University (tentative)
- Friday April 10 – Bensalem High School Jazz Festival
- Tuesday April 14 - Fine Arts Jazz Night

Please do your best to be at all scheduled rehearsals and shows, and avoid recurring conflicts with out of school events. Absences from rehearsal may result in being pulled from a performance.

IV. FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

Jazz Activity Fee: There is a \$100 fee for participating in jazz band. This allows the jazz band to travel to shows, purchase music and equipment, and bring in clinicians. Payment is made to the WTMBA (William Tennent Music Boosters Association) and can be used to cover other items for the jazz band as determined by Mr. Seifert and the WTMBA executive board.

If you have any financial concerns about participating in jazz band, please email Mr. Seifert. We do not want anyone to miss out on jazz band for financial reasons.

Fundraising: Student account funds may be used to pay a student's jazz activity fee. Student accounts are held for any student that participates in an activity supported by the WTMBA. When you participate in one of our fundraisers (for example, fall pie sale, selling ads for our COB program book, etc.), a portion of what you raise is set aside in your student account. That money can then be used to pay for musical experiences such as activity fees and trip payments while you are a student at WTHS. More details can be found on the payment form at the end of this document.

V. ATTIRE

The Music Department's goal is to create a uniform appearance that looks sharp on stage but is also affordable, simple, and flexible. Please remember that performances are a formal event. Use discretion when picking school/concert appropriate attire as we often have lots of parents and grandparents in our audiences! The following guidelines are in place to ensure a uniform and formal look:

- No jeans, no leggings, no sneakers, no polos/t-shirts
- Attire should not be tight or revealing
- Dresses/Skirts must be at least knee length (cover the knee when standing)
- Shoulder straps must be at least one inch
- No cutouts (front or back)

Here is the concert attire from our concert ensembles. Jazz band attire will be mostly the same, but might include a red accent or accessory to be more recognizable at shows (TBD by the band).

- Black suit, Long Sleeve Black Dress Shirt, Black Belt, Black Dress Shoes.
- Black Dress with Black Dress Shoes (if it worked for concert band, it will work here).
- Black Blouse, Black Skirt/Pants, Black Dress Shoes

JAZZ BAND AGREEMENT

Dear Students and Parents,

I am very excited to work with you all this Jazz Band season. Please review the information in this document carefully. Make special note of the performance schedule: in jazz band, there is often only one student on each part; therefore, attendance at all scheduled performances is the only way for us to present a complete show. Any conflicts with rehearsals or performance should be communicated to Mr. Seifert as soon as they are known.

Please also note the financial responsibilities of jazz band, including payment of the activity fee and participation in our fundraisers. Also, please take good care of all school equipment. Many of the school's highest quality instruments are used for the jazz band and we want to keep them in good condition. You may be held responsible for damage outside of normal wear and tear to equipment that was signed out to you.

I hope that everyone will have a great experience this year in our jazz ensemble, that we have a welcoming and productive ensemble environment, and that we all encourage each other to improve every day. Thank you for being a part of music at William Tennent.

Sincerely,



Nicholas Seifert

Band Director | Instrumental Music

William Tennent High School

Phone - 215-441-6000 x12708

Email - seifni@centennialsd.org

Please sign and date below to acknowledge that you have reviewed the jazz band information. Return this page to Mr. Seifert by Tuesday December 16th.

Student Name (Print)

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

William Tennent Jazz Band

Activity Fee Payment Form

There is a \$100 activity fee for participation in the 2026 jazz season.

Payment options:

Checks or money orders will be made payable to WTMBA and placed in the mailbox outside the band office.

PayPal/Venmo: Follow the procedure listed on <https://www.wtmb.org/payments>

Student accounts: WTMBA student accounts are a way for our families to directly benefit from fundraising for our program. When you participate in certain fundraisers (such as ShopRite Cards), a portion of what you sell is placed in your student account. To check student account balance, contact Rebecca Campman at wtmbatreasurer@gmail.com. *Please note, you can only add to your student account by fundraising. Paying your activity fee is an important part of our general budget and does not go into a student account.*

Please submit this form with your payment.

Activity: Jazz Band Fee

Cost: \$100

Student Name: _____

Date: _____

Method of payment (circle one and fill in check number if needed)

Check (#_____) Money Order (#_____) Paypal/Venmo Student Account

Parent Signature: _____

WTMBA Parent Communications

We want to be able to communicate with you! Please make sure you return the WTMBA Parent Communication form below. Questions, or if you need another form, please email the Corresponding Secretary at wtmbacorrespsec@gmail.com.

MANDATORY

We want to be able to communicate with you!!

Meetings, Updates to the Schedule, Last Minute Changes, Reminders, Fundraising Info, Arrival Times, Departure Times, Carpool Info, Band News - Please complete the following information:

Band Member Name(s) _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s) _____

Address _____

Primary Contact Number

Please circle if above is: Mom Cell Dad Cell Home Other

If Other, indicate:

Secondary Contact Number

Please circle if above is: Mom Cell Dad Cell Home Other

If Other, indicate:

Primary Email Address

Secondary Email Address

May we publish your information for other band parents? Yes_____ No_____

Please return forms including communications, photo release and membership ASAP to:
WTMBA Corresponding Secretary, or place in the WTMBA mailbox
wtmbacorrespsec@gmail.com

Photo Release

The William Tennent Music Boosters Association (WTMBA) includes photos of students, teachers and school activities on the website, the district cable channel, the band Facebook group and in print media. Questions, or if you need another form, please email the Corresponding Secretary at wtmbacorrespsec@gmail.com.

William Tennent Music Boosters Association Photo Release Form MANDATORY

The William Tennent Music Boosters Association (WTMBA) includes photos of students, teachers and school activities on the website, the district cable channel and in print media.

We/I hereby give permission for the WTMBA to use photos of the student named below on the WTMBA website, the district cable channel or other electronic media or print forms of communication.

Student(s) Name _____

Parent or Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

Please return Communication and Photo Release forms prior to the start of Band Camp in August. Forms can be given to any member of the Executive Board or mailed to:

William Tennent High School
Attn: Marching Band
333 Centennial Road
Warminster, PA 18974

CENTENNIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

121-AR-6. FIELD TRIP PERMISSION FORM

Date: **December 4 2025**

Dear Parent/Guardian:

This notice is to inform you that your son's/daughter's class is scheduled for an educational field trip. The details of the trip are as follows:

Destination: All Jazz Band Competitions 2026

Date: See Jazz Schedule

Departure Time: See Jazz Schedule

Return Time: See Jazz Schedule

Group: Jazz Band

Cost: Included in Activity Fee

The cost of this trip may not be REFUNDABLE.

Checks should be made payable to

And must be returned to school by

NA

NA

Please indicate receipt of this letter and your being informed that you son/daughter will have the opportunity to participate in this trip by signing the attached form and returning it to school by:

Date: December 16, 2025

Teacher: Nicholas Seifert

Special Notes:

- 1.The Centennial School District is not responsible for services not delivered by non-school contractors/firms.
- 2.The Centennial School District assumes no liability for activities conducted as a part of a school trip.

Student's Name: _____

Trip: _____

Date: _____

☐ My signature below will acknowledge receipt of information regarding the aforementioned educational field trip and grant permission for my child to participate.

☐ My signature below will acknowledge receipt of information regarding the aforementioned educational field trip. I DO NOT grant permission for my child to participate.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

CENTENNIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

121-AR-7. FIELD TRIP MEDICAL INFORMATION FORM

STUDENT INFORMATION	Name _____ Grade _____
	Address _____
	Home Phone _____ Date of Birth _____
	Father's Name _____ Home/Work Phone _____
	Mother's Name _____ Home/Work Phone _____
	Parent Cell Phones: Mother _____ Father _____
	Alternate Contact Person _____ Phone _____
MEDICAL INFORMATION	Health Insurance Carrier _____ Policy # _____
	Physician's Name _____ Phone _____
	Note any allergies/medical conditions of which we should be aware _____ _____
	Tetanus Booster _____ (Date)
	Present Medications _____ In compliance with District policy, no student is permitted to carry any form of medication unless authorized in writing by the District. Arrangements for transport of medication essential to your student's health should be made with the school nurse. If your student will need any medication during the trip, you are encouraged to accompany your child. Parent/Guardian of student requiring prescription medication must check one (1) of the following: 1. _____ My child will omit his/her daily scheduled medication on the day of the trip. 2. _____ My child may take his/her regularly scheduled medication upon returning to school. 3. _____ I would like to accompany my child on the trip and I will administer the prescription medication to my child. If you check #1 or #2, please provide doctor's note of confirmation to the school nurse ten (10) days prior to the scheduled field trip and review plan for the day regarding medication.
SIGNATURE	In case of illness or emergency, and in the event parents/guardians, physician, or other persons named on this form cannot be contacted, the school officials are authorized to take whatever action is deemed necessary for the health and safety of my child. I also give permission for my child to be taken to the hospital and treated in case of emergency. Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____
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You've been invited to join

Jazz Band

Use your **unique access code** below and follow the instructions.

Access Code

ED6E-BTUH

Join via Website

New Users

1. From your computer, phone, or tablet, visit **sportsyou.com**
2. Click **Get Started** and enter your email
3. Go to your email and click **Confirm Your Email**
4. Click **Enter Access Code** to enter code, then finish setting up your account

Existing Users

1. From your computer, phone, or tablet, go to **sportsyou.com** and log in
2. In left column, click **Join Team/Group**.
3. Click **Enter Access Code** to enter code, then **Join Team** or **Join Group**

Join via App

New Users

1. On mobile device download **sportsYou app** from the **App Store** (iOS) or **Google Play Store** (Android)
2. Open the sportsYou app and tap **Create Account**
3. Tap **Enter Access Code** to enter code, then finish set up

Existing Users

1. On mobile device log in
2. In bottom tray, tap **Teams/Groups**
3. Tap **blue + button**, then tap **Join Team/Group**
4. Enter access code and click **Join**



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