

# Portsmouth HS Jazz Ensemble

## Audition Information



Thank you for being interested in auditioning for this year's 2011-2012 Jazz Ensemble. A couple of things you need to be aware of regarding this year's jazz band. Please look this over carefully as these key points are very important to our ensemble. If you foresee any reason (see below) that you will not be able to fulfill your duties as being a member of our jazz band, please reconsider auditioning.

1. Jazz Ensemble rehearses Wednesday evenings from 6:00 – 8:30 pm
2. We have three major Jazz festivals this school year:
  - Rhode Island State Jazz Festival (URI) – Saturday, February 4, 2012
  - Berklee Jazz Festival – Saturday, March 10, 2012
  - Somerset Jazz Festival – Wednesday, March 7 (date is tentative)
3. In addition to the above dates we are also performing for our school Winter and Spring concerts.
4. All students need to audition each year, regardless of placement in ensemble last year.
5. Please look ahead at your own personal schedule for the spring. Those students who are involved in spring sports may have to balance their schedule more carefully.

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Our audition dates are:

1. Wednesday, October 5 (2:15 – 3:30). All wind players will need to sign up ahead of time for an audition time slot.
2. Thursday, October 6 (2:15 – 3:30). This is for rhythm section. I invite ALL wind players who auditioned on Wednesday to come and play.

**\*\*Audition Selections Are on Reverse Side\*\***

ALL WIND PLAYERS will play (Saxophones, Trombones, Trumpets):

1. Jazz Etude 1
2. Solo: "FOOLOSH HEART"

ALL RHYTHM SECTION players will play:

1. Groove Merchant
2. Area 51