

Swingin' From The Start: Building A Jazz Band From Scratch

Band Director's Workshop - WTAMU 2022

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1. Why Jazz?

- Player Improvement Catalyst
- Facetime is UP!
- Recruiting is UP!
- Lightbulb Moments
- "Safe" Doubling Opportunities
- Community Ambassador
- Great performance opportunities

2. Purpose of Today

How to start a program from nothing
What's next?

3. What do you need?

Players
Equipment
Music
Rehearsal Time
Gigs
Asking For Help

4. Players

"Jazz is a style, not an instrumentation"

Instruments

Saxes (alto, tenor, bari, flute, clarinet, oboe)

Trombones (trombone, euph, tuba, bassoon, French horn)

Trumpets (trumpet, clarinet)

Rhythm Section (drums and bass are required)

5. Equipment

What equipment is necessary?

Rhythm Section Gear

TShirts/Uniform

What would be nice?

PA System

Stand Fronts

Fundraising

6. Music

Daily Drill

The Blues

Improv

Tunes

First Concert

7. Rehearsal Time(s)

Find what works for you. Make sure rehearsal is rehearsal

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